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Writers: Jay-Z, Swizz Beatz, T.I.
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Writers: 50 Cent, Scott Storch
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Writers: Beyoncé, Kelly Rowland, Michelle Williams, Robert "EST" Waller
Publishers: Beyoncé Publishing, Black Owned Music, Kelendria Music Publishing, Notting Dale Songs, Inc., Sony/ATV Tunes, LLC, TM Williams Publishing

"Disco Inferno"

Writers: 50 Cent, Terrike "Chris Styles" Crawford
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"Hate It Or Love It"

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"How We Do"

Writers: 50 Cent, Dr. Dre, The Game, Mike Elizondo
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Writer: Lo
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"We Must Praise"

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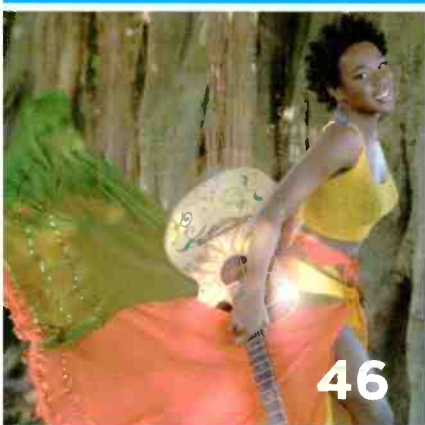
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Mounting A Global Push For New British Talent

BY STEVE REDMOND

British music is going through its most creative period in at least a decade. Acts like James Blunt, Gorillaz, Razorlight and Corinne Bailey Rae bring a contemporary shine to the United Kingdom's historical record as the world's second-greatest music exporter after the United States.

A challenge for organizations like the BPI, the U.K. record industry trade association, is to showcase this new wave of talent in ways that help members better address the international market.

Of course, there are trade shows. Scores, if not hundreds, of them. Sometimes it feels like it would be possible to do nothing else but to traverse the globe attending music conventions.

Not only does that sound like my idea of hell, but the limitations are obvious. Conventions are expensive. By definition, there is a lot of competition from other countries selling their wares. And because these are invariably business-to-business events, it's all at least one removed from the end consumer.

Our breakthrough came last summer with a mission of U.K. labels to meet their Japanese counterparts in Tokyo. As well as the business meetings, the mission included a heavyweight promotion with retailer HMV and it coincided with the Fuji Rock festival—which happened to include a healthy mix of U.K. acts. For the first time there were locals on the ground who had a vested interest in U.K. music succeeding.

Coordinating all these activities created something that was much bigger than the sum of its parts. It was our most successful British music promotion yet, and so the idea emerged to push the concept even further.

So when BPI international manager Matt Glover and I found ourselves in Berlin last fall for the PopKomm convention, we began to wonder whether it might be possible to put these ideas into action in the German capital.

Rather than attempt to push British music onto a sometimes reluctant international audience, could we find local partners who had an interest in promoting British music themselves?

Berlin has certainly had a long-term love affair with British music. Remember that incredibly fertile period when David Bowie created not only his own "Low" and "Heroes" albums, but also produced "The Idiot" and "Lust for Life" for Iggy Pop? Remem-

ber the long Berlin association between Depeche Mode and its label Mute? Remember U2's "Zoo Station"?

With Berlin's history of inspiring British artists, we had high hopes that a new generation of British acts could inspire the city's music fans.

Key to the venture was landing committed local partners. We were lucky to find Peter Radzuhn, head of music at public broadcaster Radio Eins, and Spencer Theile of promoter Karrera Klub. In addition to being respected members of Berlin's music community, both are Anglophile music fans.

And then we approached the labels. In what seemed no time at all, we had a bill of more than 40 acts and label showcases from V2/Cooperative, Universal, Domino and Sony Red Ink.

Among the acts that performed were Razorlight (Mercury/Universal), Belle & Sebastian (Rough Trade), Sons & Daughters (Domino), the Feeling (Island/Universal), Boy Kill Boy (Mercury/Universal) and Clearlake (Domino).

We even acquired a film festival as a local cinema owner decided to join the party and broadcast a week of British music films.

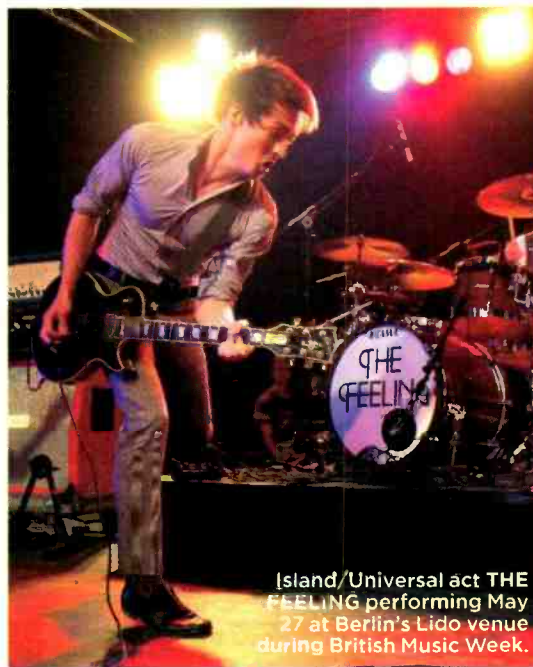
As more partners came onboard, from MTV Germany to magazines Tip and Uncle Sally's, it became clear we were on to something.

British Music Week opened May 19 with a reception at Berlin's British Embassy. A notable participant was Germany's great rock star Herbert Groenemeyer, who has sold more than 20 million albums in his 27-year career. It was clearly compelling for the 180-strong German audience to hear one of their own artists extol the virtues of the current U.K. scene.

As for the gigs, during the course of the week around 8,000 Berlin music fans were exposed to new British acts. The

artists themselves were overwhelmed by the reaction.

On the downside, we learned that Germany's media is simply not as open to music stories as the U.K. media. For the British press, popular music forms a key part of the news agenda and a report on the South by Southwest Music Festival in Austin will happily find a place in the news section of The Times. German editors are far more conservative—and British Music Week struggled to get the coverage we felt



Island/Universal act THE FEELING performing May 27 at Berlin's Lido venue during British Music Week.

it deserved.

However, the most notable reaction has been the pitches we have subsequently received from other cities around Europe suggesting they might run their own weeks committed to British music. Those discussions are under way, but it is clear that our initial hypothesis—that it is possible to mount an international promotion based on "pull" rather than "push"—has been vindicated.

Perhaps it's not too much to imagine that one day soon every week will be a British Music Week somewhere around the world.

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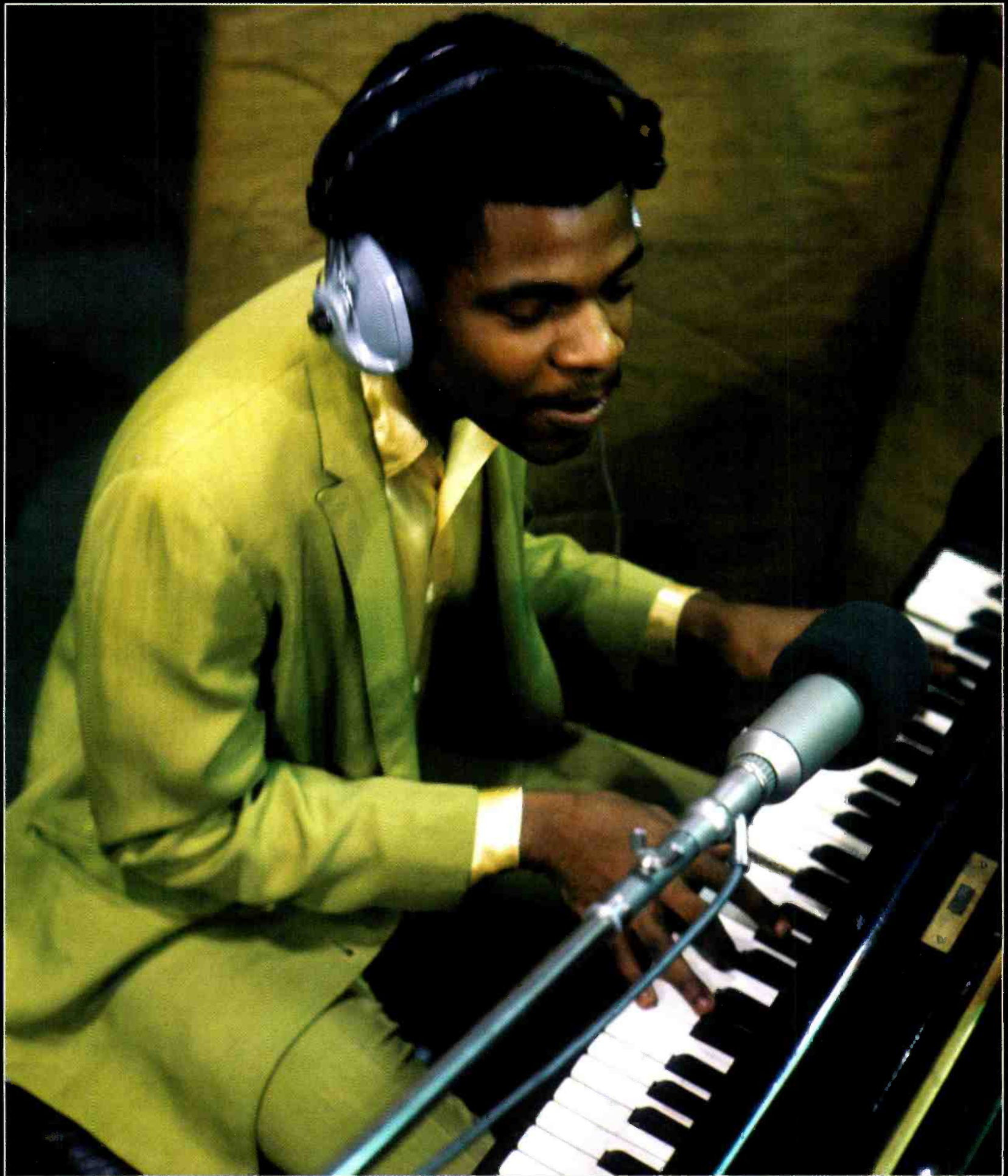
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>>> SENATE PANEL CLEARS BROADCAST FLAG

The Senate Commerce Committee approved legislation June 27 that will give the FCC authority to write regulations designed to protect digitally broadcast content. Approval of the so-called broadcast and audio flags came as the committee worked through amendments to its rewrite of many of the nation's telecommunications laws. However, the flag language still faces hurdles. Sen. John Sununu, R-N.H., might offer amendments gutting those provisions when the bill hits the Senate floor.

>>> FEDS BUST PIRATES

Special agents from the FBI on June 28 arrested 13 members of an international ring of movie thieves in the New York area, the Motion Picture Assn. of America reports. This ring is allegedly responsible for half of all camcorder copies of films available on the black market and on the Internet in the United States, and 25% of all camcorder copies of counterfeit movies worldwide, the trade group says.

>>> EC BOOSTS FINES

The European Commission on June 28 agreed to new measures that pave the way for heavier fines for companies found guilty of operating price-fixing cartels or breaking other parts of European Union competition law. The EC will set a basic fine of up to 30% of a company's sales of the product in the market where the abuse had taken place. The fine will also be multiplied by the number of years during which a company participates in the infringement.

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MARKETING BY MICHAEL PAOLETTA

MUSIC VIDEOS: THE NEXT QVC?

At StarStyle, Product Placement Goes Direct To Consumer

Care to purchase the fashions worn by Joan Jett and Carmen Electra in the music video for Jett's new single, "A.C.D.C."? What about the clothing featured in the videos of Nickelback's "Savin' Me" or Urban Mystic's "I Refuse"?

Those getting heart palpitations at the very thought may want to log on to starstyle.com, which launched its music section with a handful of videos June 20. Visitors to the site can watch videos while an adjacent online catalog spotlights merchandise featured in the videos.

A couple of clicks—and \$158—later, and you could be the proud owner of the Juicy Couture regular-rise, boot-cut jeans worn by Electra.

StarStyle, which debuted earlier this year, is taking the trend of TV and music video product placement to the next level. The site focuses on merchandise featured in such TV shows as "The Simple Life," "American Idol" and "The Young and the Restless." (TV shows are not viewable on the site.)

"We empower consumers with information," says Ashley Heather, CEO of StarStyle parent company Entertainment Media Works. "Hopefully, they then buy the products."

Call it contextual commerce—or purchases based on the context of an experience.

StarStyle receives revenue from participating e-tailers based on actual purchases and/or click-throughs. The revenue stream trickles down to participating record labels and, depending on the deals they have in place with their labels, artists.

Heather says he and StarStyle VP of music services Tony Zeoli are in the process of lining up deals with labels. Universal Music Group has already

signed on to license its music videos to StarStyle—just as it does with AOL, Yahoo, MTV, MSN and other sites.

Wendy Nussbaum, senior director of business development at eLabs/UMG, views StarStyle's model as a plus for labels. In addition to sharing in StarStyle's gross revenue, Nussbaum says UMG will receive a sales commission based on products sold from its music videos featured on the StarStyle site.

With UMG at its side, StarStyle's music cache is poised to increase, particularly if UMG acts like Gwen Stefani, Mariah Carey, Mary J. Blige, the Pussycat Dolls and the Black Eyed Peas support the site with their videos. StarStyle expects to spotlight 10 new videos per month.

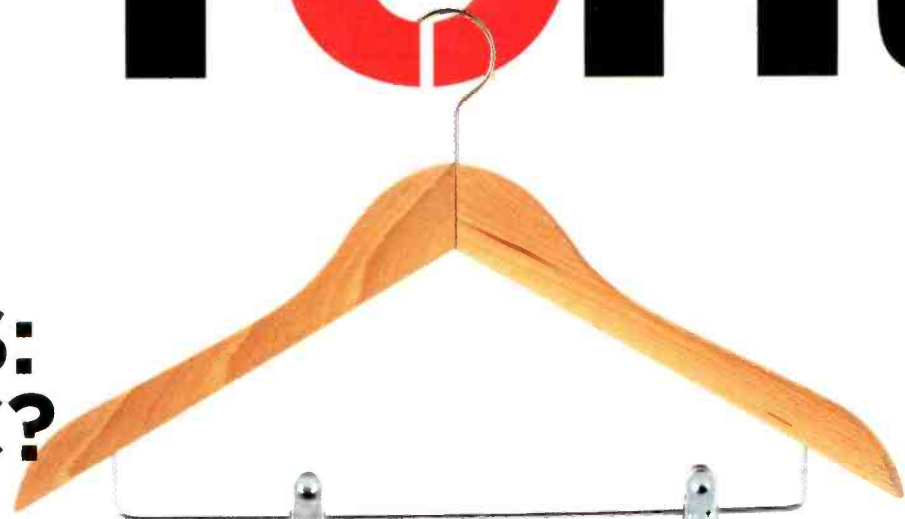
According to Heather, StarStyle has had 800,000 unique visitors since its launch. This, he says, has resulted in 8 million-9 million page views across starstyle.com and its partner sites, which include americanidol.com.

Though Heather will not disclose exact sales figures, he acknowledges that StarStyle "has generated hundreds of thousands of dollars as a business."

Critical mass, Heather notes, will be reached via distribution—beyond the StarStyle site. By the end of summer, Heather says StarStyle will be linked with mobile providers and other channels of interactive TV. "We want to create as many opportunities to spread sales."

According to Zeoli, traffic at the site is predominantly 18- to 35-year-old females. Irma Zandl, a principal with the Zandl Group, a New York-based research firm that specializes in brand management strategies, refers to this audience as "the US Weekly reader."

And from where Zandl sits, most visitors to the site will not be able to afford



Above: StarStyle.com

the \$535 Christian Louboutin polka dot bow pumps worn by Electra in Jett's music video. StarStyle should consider offering "less expensive alternatives," Zandl notes.

StarStyle is launching its music service at the same time as product placement in videos is becoming a hot topic—particularly with R&B/hip-hop artists, notes Arden Doss, managing director of Propaganda Global Entertainment Marketing. Propaganda assists brands in placing products in music videos.

Music videos offer a "high rotation entry point" for brands, Doss says. A few-second placement in a popular music video could result in a multimillion-dollar media value.

Doss calls StarStyle "an interesting

steppingstone." The site is monetizing content and showing the value of eyeballs, he says. "These are interesting numbers to have."

Recent videos from Nelly Furtado, Rihanna, T.I., Bon Jovi and Cassie prominently feature mobile phones and other name-brand electronics.

In addition to potentially having a multimillion-dollar media value, product placement can help underwrite the cost of a music video. "And as the marketplace has shifted, artists are scrambling to get budgets up for videos," Doss says.

"But it must be done seamlessly," Doss adds. "The end consumers are savvy. If they think they're being sold to, or if the product placement is too overt, it won't work."

>>>RADIO CITY OPERATOR HAS NEW HANDLE

As first tipped in Billboard last year, New York's Radio City Entertainment has formally been renamed Madison Square Garden Entertainment as part of a major expansion of its entertainment portfolio. Jay Marciano continues as president of the organization. Under its new brand, MSGE will continue to operate Madison Square Garden, the Theatre at Madison Square Garden and Radio City Music Hall, while aggressively pursuing new content opportunities. "We're hoping that anybody with a terrific entertainment idea will come talk to us as a potential backer, co-producer or co-venturer," Marciano says.

>>>TICKETMASTER OFFERS U.K. MOBILE TICKETING

Ticketmaster in the United Kingdom has launched MobileTicket, a wireless service that sells concert tickets via cell phones. Among the first British gigs to use the new ticketing format was the O2 Wireless Festival organized by Live Nation and held June 21-25 in London and Leeds. Ticketmaster and its clients—venue owners and concert promoters—expect wireless technology to make ticketing more secure and help defeat ticket scalpers.

>>>UNIVISION COMPLETES DISA DEAL

Univision Music Group is slated June 30 to finish its acquisition of Disa Records from the Chavez family in Mexico. The label, founded and owned by the Chavez family, commands nearly 14% of the Latin music market, according to Nielsen SoundScan. In 2001, 50% of the label's assets were sold to Univision Music Group with the understanding that the sale of the remaining 50% would also pass to Univision in June 2006. Sources say Disa will be headed by Carlos Ruiz, previously the finance director for Univision Music Group Mexico.

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BY KEN SCHLAGER

PRODUCER/ARRANGER ARIF MARDIN DIES, 74

Atlantic Mainstay Became A Legend Working With Legends

Arif Mardin never stopped working. Even in his hospital bed, one week from death, Mardin was reaching for manuscript paper to arrange one final track.

The legendary producer/arranger died June 25 in New York. He was 74 and had been suffering from pancreatic cancer since September 2005.

Mardin was a mainstay at Atlantic Records for four decades, producing and arranging hits for Aretha Franklin, Phil Collins, Hall & Oates, Roberta Flack, Brook Benton, Dusty Springfield and other stars.

Retiring as senior VP of Atlantic in 2001, he re-emerged as co-VP/co-GM of EMI's revived Manhattan label under EMI Jazz & Classics president Bruce Lundvall. It was at EMI that Mardin put the final crescendo on his producing career with Norah Jones' breakthrough album "Come Away With Me."

Born in 1932 into a prominent family in Istanbul, Turkey, Mardin earned an economics degree from Istanbul University. Jazz was his true love, but he never thought of a career in the business until meeting Dizzy Gillespie and Quincy Jones at a concert in Turkey in 1956.

At Jones' urging, Mardin enrolled in the Berklee School of Music in Boston.

In 1963, Mardin met Nesuhi Ertegun, a fellow Turk and jazz enthusiast, who brought him to Atlantic Records, where Mardin learned his trade working alongside label co-founder

Ahmet Ertegun and in-house studio geniuses Jerry Wexler and Tom Dowd.

"When he first came, he was relegated to 'hey you' in the studio," Wexler recalls. "Nobody knew about his potential. It took a while. Gradually, it became clear. He'd begin by writing a little chord chart. He'd fill out a string chart... it was a gradual series of upgrading and recognizing his talent, which just could not be stopped."

Mardin caught the pop bug in 1965 while co-producing the Young Rascals, his first big project with Dowd. In the ensuing years, Mardin, Wexler and Dowd collaborated on a pop-soul stew known as the Atlantic Sound.

In the mid-'70s, Mardin helped the Bee Gees redefine their sound and revive their career with the album "Main Course," which included the No. 1 pop single "Jive Talkin'."

Other No. 1 singles included the Rascals' "Good Lovin'" (1966) and "People Got to be Free" (1968), Average White Band's "Pick Up the Pieces" (1974), Collins' "Against All Odds (Take a Look at Me Now)" (1984) and Bette Midler's "Wind Beneath My Wings" (1989).

Mardin showed great diversity, producing funk tracks for Chaka Khan, folk albums for John Prine, jazz sessions for Eddie Harris, Herbie Mann and Charles Lloyd and country albums for Willie Nelson. He also had a knack for working with pop divas. "He had an amazing way of calming the situation,"

says Ian Ralfini, Mardin's co-GM at Manhattan.

This was evident in his two successful Blue Note recordings with Norah Jones.

Lundvall says Jones initially was hesitant to go into the studio with Mardin.

"Norah was afraid because he was such a giant," Lundvall says. But Mardin went to see Jones perform and she agreed to try one song with him. He ended up producing the whole album.

"It was just great to watch them together," Lundvall says. "He would make a gentle suggestion about doing the piano solo again... she would do that. They got it right after about two takes. It was that kind of production. It was not heavy-handed. He was never that way."

"Come Away With Me" won Grammy Awards for album of the year and record of the year in 2003 and earned Mardin producer of the year honors. He also produced Jones' "Feels Like Home." Combined, the two albums have U.S. sales of 14.1 million copies, according to Nielsen SoundScan.

At the time of his death, he was working with his son, producer/arranger Joe Mardin, on a collection of his own compositions with many of the artists he produced through the years.

In addition to Joe, Mardin is survived by his wife Latife and daughters Julie and Nazan. Funeral services will be held July 2 in Istanbul. A memorial service is planned for September in New York.

EMI, WMG In Bidding War All Their Own

Each Wants To Buy The Other—At What Cost A Merger?

EMI has upped the ante in its play for Warner Music Group, bidding \$31 per share for its U.S.-based rival. But in the latest wrinkle, WMG may now be looking to play the role of buyer, not seller.

A cash-driven bid from EMI north of \$30 per share for WMG was once believed by many analysts to be the magic number that would trigger a deal between the two music giants. No more.

WGM is trying to position itself as the would-be acquirer in any merger scenario with EMI.

After rejecting a £2.3 bil-

lion (\$4.2 billion) approach from EMI, worth \$28.50 per share in cash and stock on May 3, WMG countered with its own all-cash bid for EMI for 315 pence per share (\$5.70) on June 14.

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Still to be seen is how serious WMG is about buying EMI.

Right now WMG is talking a good game. "The WMG board agrees with EMI that there are potential merits in combining the businesses of WMG and EMI, but believes

raise a substantial amount of cash in a stock sale before any deal can go through.

Many analysts continue to think that WMG's investors—including TH Lee and Bain Capital—won't have any problem cashing out for the right price.

If not, analysts caution a merger could be problematic, not to mention expensive, because the back-and-forth bids indicate that neither side is willing to surrender management control to the other.

Merrill Lynch analyst Jessica Reif Cohen said in a June 28 note to investors, "As the bids escalate, WMG and EMI may be eroding the value of synergies through higher financing costs."

Analysts say the two companies could realize more than \$200 million in cost savings if they merged.

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>>>BLIGE, BROWN, WEST, FOXF LEAD BET WINNERS

Mary J. Blige, Chris Brown and "Gold Digger" duo Kanye West and Jamie Foxx shared double wins June 27 at the 2006 BET Awards. Blige and West with Foxx picked up statuettes as best female R&B artist and best duet/collaboration, respectively, and tied for video of the year honors. Brown walked away with a best new artist trophy as well as the Viewers' Choice award. The event aired live from the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles.

>>>BMI TO HONOR HAGGARD

Country music legend Merle Haggard will be honored with BMI's prestigious Icon award during the performing rights organization's 54th annual country awards, set for Nov. 4 in Nashville. The Icon award is given to BMI songwriters and artists who "have had a unique and indelible influence on generations of music makers," according to BMI. An all-star tribute is being planned to honor Haggard at the awards show. Past Icon winners from the country world include Dolly Parton, Bill Anderson, Loretta Lynn and Charlie Daniels.

>>>SLEATER- KINNEY GOES ON HIATUS

Esteemed indie rock trio Sleater-Kinney is going on an indefinite hiatus and has no plans for "future tours or recordings," according to a statement released by its label, Sub Pop. After spending its entire career on the Kill Rock Stars label, the band's lone release for Sub Pop, 2005's "The Woods," was regarded by many as the best of its career. The group will play five final shows this summer, culminating Aug. 4 at the Lollapalooza festival in Chicago.

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RETAIL BY ED CHRISTMAN

Tower Keeps On Its Digital Roll

Physical, Digital Retail Integration Key To Pending Sale

The June 27 rollout of Tower Records' download store is the latest—and biggest—stride in the chain's drive to marry digital retailing with its 89 brick-and-mortar stores.

In March, the West Sacramento, Calif.-based company launched its TowerPod network with 27 channels of music-related programming at towerpod.com. The same month, the company added a bookstore to its longstanding online music store. It also installed TouchView kiosks in its stores that allow customers to sample music. Future plans will include integrating kiosks with downloads so that customers can make their own compilations and burn out-of-stock deep catalog albums.

"The download store is part of a larger digital initiative," Tower Records chief marketing officer Russ Eisenman says. "Our podcast site was launched at South by Southwest, and TouchView is now in our stores. Next is integrating all these forums" to facilitate label-marketing programs.

The company's digital initiatives are expected to be key components in a possible sale of the chain.

Tower's board of directors hired the Los Angeles investment bank of Houlihan Lokey Howard & Zukin to shop the chain in April. After two

rounds of bidding, sources say Tower has been waiting on a late bid by one of the suitors before the board of directors decides to accept a bid or take the chain off the block if price expectations are not met.

Tower's online potential is touted in the "book" that was sent to possible suitors, sources say. Tower started selling CDs online in 1995 and today is believed to have the highest online volume of any traditional brick-and-mortar music-specialty merchant.

According to sources familiar with the Tower book, the online store accounted for 4.8%, or \$21 million, of the \$441 million in sales the chain generated in its most recent fiscal year. Online revenue is projected to grow to \$36 million by 2009, although the book is unclear if that estimate includes digital sales or is just physical product.

Regardless, the promise of download sales under Tower's strong brand is a key inducement for bidders, sources say.

The digital-download store, tower.com/digital, offers 1.2 million tracks priced at 99 cents each; most albums are priced at \$9.99.

Tower is attempting to differentiate its digital offering from other cyber stores by encrypting tracks in Windows Media Audio and at a higher bit-rate of 192 kbps. That

means the tracks should sound better than most other online stores, which usually encrypt songs at 128 kbps.

In addition, Tower executives are confident that they can leverage their label relationships to expand their music offering beyond the tracks so far licensed by Puretracks, the digital service provider that powers the store. Tower also uses artist data supplied by Muze.

Through Toronto-based Puretracks, a subsidiary of Bell Canada, the Tower digital store already has the repertoire that can be found at other download stores licensing from the majors. Tower executives want to help Puretracks expand its offering with more catalog, classical, Latin, jazz and independent-label music—all genres in which Tower's stores remain strong. In addition, Tower executives say they will work with labels to get exclusive online content, which can be tied to CD album purchases in the chain's stores.

Tower.com is also placing an emphasis on ease of use, VP of marketing Mike Jansta says. To that end, the Tower store places download purchases in a shopping basket and has chosen à la carte sales over a subscription model. Those distinctions make for a cleaner transaction, Jansta says.

LATIN BY LEILA COBO

Latinos Get Their Space

Two New Social Networking Sites Emphasize Hispanic Music, Culture

Given the success of MySpace among all users, Latinos included, it was only a matter of time before a social networking site specifically targeted that demographic.

In fact, there are two sites now up and running that are in Spanish and music-centric.

MTV Networks Latin America's Lazona.com, officially announced June 29, may evolve to become an all-encompassing social networking site. But right now, it is being touted as a Spanish-language site for bands and music lovers, with an emphasis on new and unsigned acts from Latin America.

Meanwhile, Miami-based Elhood.com followed its March beta launch with an official June 26 kickoff, with similar

Anglo market, and that is one of the things that frustrate me. So we looked at the best practices in the U.S. market, and put them into a portal. With social networking, the beauty is the content creates itself."

While Elhood offers personal and miscellaneous postings, the site is most definitely music-oriented, with established artists alongside unknowns. Technical features include 1GB of free storage and the capacity to create individual playlists for streaming. To date, Bellumio has been financed with private funding, but the plan is to become advertising-driven.

MTV also plans for its model to become advertising-driven. Lazona will no doubt benefit from the reach of the MTV brand. The site would logically

MTV's Lazona already claims 10,000 acts.

goals in mind. The bilingual site is described by Damian Bellumio, president of parent company Hoodiny Entertainment Group, as "an entertainment site that begins with music but wants to evolve into all media."

The heads of both sites acknowledge the influence and success of MySpace, but say there was still opportunity in social networking.

"We felt the Latin American audience had been underserved," says Luis Goicouria, VP of new media for MTV Networks Latin America. "Sites like MySpace work in all languages, but don't target Latin Americans. We felt there was a niche to fill."

Bellumio says Elhood, which also has an office in Spain and expects to open one in Los Angeles, plans to address the bilingual, bicultural reality of much of the younger Latin demographic in America.

"We wanted to create a company that presented the best of both worlds," Bellumio says. "Unfortunately, most of the innovation happens in the

tie in with U.S.-based MTVTr3s—the newly named U.S. Latin MTV channel—after its planned September launch.

Meanwhile, Lazona is already getting substantial exposure through MTV Networks Latin America, which reaches some 16 million homes in the continent, excluding Brazil. For the past six weeks, new musical acts have been encouraged to enter a contest through Adiosgarage.com, housed at Lazona; five bands are chosen monthly with the winner voted upon by the community. The ultimate winning band will be featured on MTV Latin America show "Alerta."

The response so far has been overwhelming, with 12,000 fans and 10,000 acts registering for the site.

According to MTV, for the month of May alone, Lazona had 1.4 million page views, 50,000 visitors and 11,000 new users.

Most acts hail from Mexico and Argentina, but, Goicouria says, "there was just tons and tons of good music that we felt we could reach."



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LATIN BY LEILA COBO

UNIVISION SOLD, BUT FUTURE UNCLEAR

Consortium Buys Giant For \$13.7B, But Resale May Be In Store

The \$13.7 billion sale of Univision Communications to a private consortium of investors could be an interim step in the ownership of the Spanish-language media and entertainment giant.

The consortium, which includes billionaire media mogul Haim Saban, Madison Dearborn Partners, Providence Equity Partners, Texas Pacific Group and Thomas H. Lee Partners, is not expected to close on the Univision purchase until spring 2007.

But some analysts, like Michael Kopelman of Merrill Lynch, are already predicting that the new owners "will ultimately sell Univision."

The future shape and ownership of Los Angeles-based Univision could be crucial to the continued development of the U.S. Latin music market. Univision, whose holdings include market-leading TV, radio and online properties, offers inte-

grated, multiplatform opportunities for marketing Latin artists. It also is home to several televised music shows, including the Latin Grammy Awards, Premios Lo Nuestro and Premios Juventud.

Some analysts have hinted that the consortium might break up Univision; others doubt that will happen.

"We think that is pretty unlikely," says Andrew Campbell, a media analyst with Credit Suisse, citing the company's successful business model.

"They're well-aware of the synergies of having all the multiple platforms," adds radio consultant Bill Tanner, who was formerly with rival radio network Spanish Broadcasting System.

Univision also owns Univision Music Group, which includes the Univision, Fonovisa and Disa labels, and is the U.S. Latin market-share leader; group

acts include Marco Antonio Solis, Los Tigres del Norte, K-Paz de la Sierra and Akwid.

Univision Music Group artists benefit from preferential advertising rates on Univision radio and Univision-owned TV networks Univision, Galavision and Telefuturo. Likewise, artists affiliated with Venevision (through the VeneMusic label) and Televisa (through EMI Televisa) are understood to enjoy preferential ad rates. Venevision owns 13% of Univision's stock; Televisa owns 11%.

It is unclear what will happen to Venevision's and Televisa's stakes in Univision. Both are under contract to provide programming to Univision through 2017. In fact, Mexico City-based Televisa made a strong bid to purchase Univision, and some analysts contend that Televisa remains the most likely long-term buyer for the company. ...

TOURING BY RAY WADDELL

MLB's Fan Pitch

New Program Promotes Sports Brand, Merch At Concerts

When a professional baseball player makes it to the big leagues, he's said to have made it to "the show."

Since 2003, the bigs have hooked up with a show of a different sort through Major League Baseball's music marketing campaign Access to the Show. The program aligns MLB with the live music world as part of an ongoing commitment designed to build the MLB brand and move MLB merchandise.

Armus says the MLB has been able to quantify boosts in retail sales. "Traditionally, in past years, we've been able to track back double-digit increases with our retailers based on the promotional programs we've laid out," he says. "When you walk into the mall, you're hopefully going to see, if everybody's done their jobs right, POP materials, window banners, video loops within Champs stores. And we've got radio running

can purchase licensed products directly through mlb.com.

"Our gut feeling told us that music was a great way to turn on some of the young kids out there because we ourselves are big music fans," Armus says. "Music is part of the fabric of America, baseball we believe is a huge part of the fabric of America, and so we took these trailers, gutted them and converted them into something that would be fun."

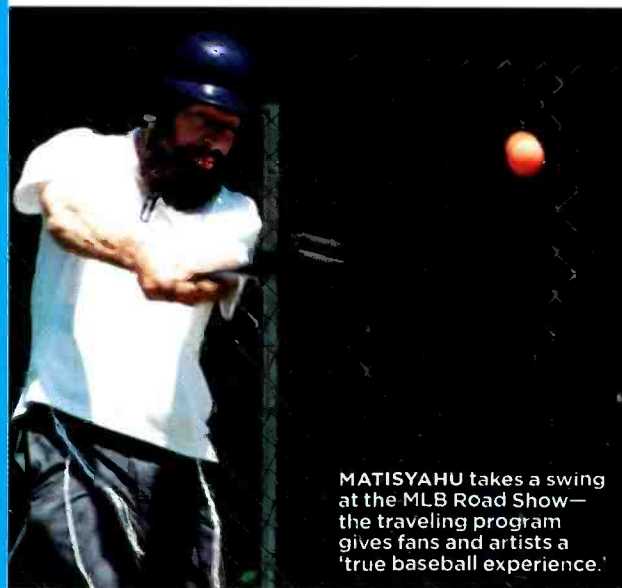
The goal is to have the program on the road as much as possible this summer, not an easy task given the intricacies of tour routing.

"This year is the most extensive set of dates we've ever been able to be on that really hit the most targeted group for us," Armus says. "With any luck, we'll be on the road doing music between 90 and 100 dates through this year, and actually we should be consistently sticking with music through the middle of September."

At Bonnaroo in Manchester, Tenn., in June, artists, press and fans checked out the batting cages. At a Nashville Warped stop days later, 100-degree heat kept fans away from the cages, but the video-games saw action.

"Over the last few years, we've seen a remarkable spark in our business based not just on what's happening on the field but on what's happening in these kids' lifestyles," Armus says. "You see a lot of people wearing our stuff when you get to these shows, which really confirms for us that we are happening out there, and these kids really believe in what we're doing."

As part of the Warped tour, the MLB Authentic Collection will sponsor the Vagrant Records stage. The sponsorship gives Major League Baseball Properties access to Vagrant bands for participation in many activities, from interacting with fans at the MLB Road Show batting cages to judging the New Era Cap design contest and a nationwide sweepstakes at Champs Sports stores where one fan can win a trip to the 2006 World Series with Vagrant act Senses Fail. ...



MATISYAHU takes a swing at the MLB Road Show—the traveling program gives fans and artists a 'true baseball experience.'

The Access to the Show program will showcase the MLB Authentic Collection line of apparel at concert venues and in retail outlets.

"Definitely, we're out there to reach the kids, the 16- to 24-year-old demo," says Steve Armus, VP of consumer products for MLB. "Certainly, part of being out there with this program is spreading the good word about baseball that we are cool. We know that the people going to these shows are cool, and we're trying to embrace the lifestyle that they really live on a day-in, day-out basis."

Armus says that MLB also wants to create awareness for the MLB Authentic Collection, so the league has aligned with retailers to make that happen.

"It's also important that we drive sales and awareness to our retailers," he says. "This year we're lined up with all 600 Champs stores on the Vans Warped tour with a massive promotional effort, which is great for the tour, great for us and hopefully rings the cash register at Champs."

in each of the top 10 markets, encouraging people to come out, meet the bands."

This year, Access to the Show is out April through September with treks including the Virgin College Mega tour, the Vans Warped tour, CMA Music Fest and Bonnaroo. Another tour announcement is imminent.

In its first three years, the MLB Road Show has also had a presence at Lollapalooza, Ozzfest, Projekt Revolution and Bonnaroo.

"This is something that's new for us, and I think over the past few years that has surprised some people because traditionally that's not the way we've reached out to the fans," Armus says. "But our point of view is we want to fish where the fish are."

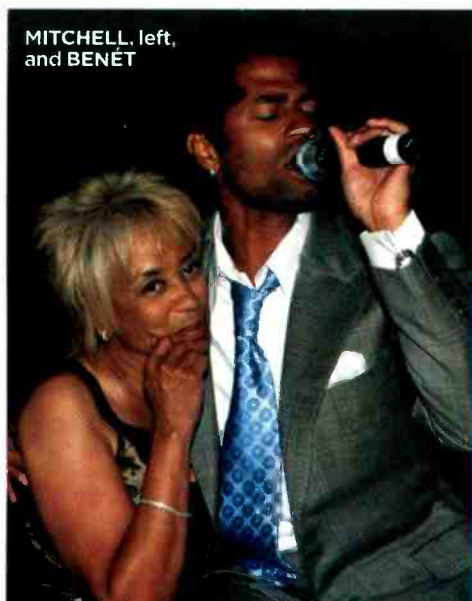
The MLB Road Show itself is a high-tech tractor-trailer outfitted to give fans a true baseball experience. The truck includes pitching and batting cages, kiosks featuring video-game titles "MLB 2K6" by 2K Sports and "MLB 06 the Show" by Sony PlayStation, and Internet kiosks where concertgoers

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SENIOR CORRESPONDENT GAIL MITCHELL HONORED BY FRIARS

Billboard's Gail Mitchell was inducted June 23 into the Friars Club of Beverly Hills. Several hundred admirers honored Mitchell for her work as Billboard's R&B guru. A taped segment showed many of Mitchell's cover stories as well as letters of appreciation from Patti LaBelle, Ludacris, Dionne Warwick and others. Columbia, Virgin and the Recording Academy all paid tribute with plaques or presentations. And much to Mitchell's delight, Eric Benét performed two songs—one ("I Wanna Be Loved") while sitting on her lap. Mitchell says, "My kids were looking at me weirdly the whole time. I don't think they've seen this other part of my life much."



MITCHELL, left, and BENÉT

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Majors Catch The Viral Bug

Labels Look To Get In On Viral-Video Action

The major labels are trying to cash in on viral-video swapping—even as the RIAA is scrambling to stamp out unauthorized music-video trading on popular Web sites like YouTube.

All the industry's heavyweights are already in talks with leading viral-video sites about allowing swapping of their music videos as part of an ad-supported model or some other hybrid business model that also could include revenue sharing or play-per-play fees. And many labels are making select videos available for viral-video distribution for purely promotional uses.

Now Sony BMG is looking to take the concept one step further by piggybacking on the YouTube craze and developing its own viral-video service.

The music giant has teamed with Brightcove, a Cambridge, Mass.-based Internet TV specialist, to launch Musicbox Video—a one-stop source for authorized viral-video content from Sony BMG artists.

The label did not provide executives for comment. But in a statement it said it is offering interviews, live performances and behind-the-scenes footage of artists in addition to music videos.

Sony BMG plans to integrate the service across its network of artist and label Web sites. Each site will feature customized video content related specifically to the artist or label. For example, visitors to the official Jennifer Lopez

site can view a preprogrammed playlist of her videos, watch popular videos from other related acts and link to purchase ringtones.

Musicbox also has a destination at sonybm.com/musicbox/video where visitors can sample video playlists centered around top clips and genres.

Perhaps most important, the videos all feature "share with a friend" functionality and RSS syndication feeds that allow for viral distribution of the clips. Users can also add videos to their blogs, Web sites and other online profile pages.

Driving Sony BMG's interest in its own viral-video offering is the opportunity to capture a bigger share of the ad-supported business around it.

Brightcove will sell and deliver the advertisements for Musicbox on behalf of Sony BMG. The company has lined up DreamWorks Animation SKG and HP as initial sponsors. The two companies are promoting the release of the new animated film "Over the Hedge" on a banner within the player and in front of videos from Sony BMG acts.

So far, business-model development around the viral sharing of music videos, or other videoclips, has been limited. But there are new signs of progress. On June 27, NBC entered into a marketing deal with YouTube to promote its fall TV lineup and other select clips from the network.

"Figuring out ways to monetize all this stuff is the interesting challenge for the



JENNIFER LOPEZ'S videos—and links to related acts—will be on Sony BMG's Musicbox Video, an authorized viral-video source.

labels, but the opportunities are pretty significant," says Mike McGuire, an analyst with Gartner.

The rise of user-generated content sites like YouTube, MySpace, Google Video and iFilm has sparked a revolution in the viral sharing of music videos across these Web communities. The problem is, much of the distribution taking place—outside a select number of promotional deals—is happening without the approval of record companies.

At the same time, music videos have transformed from a promotion for selling albums to a rapidly growing money-maker for the music business during the last 18 months.

The RIAA estimates that sales of music videos, led by iTunes, topped \$3.7 million in three months, after being introduced last October.

Meanwhile, the majors are also sharing in the profits of ad-supported video-on-demand offerings from AOL, Yahoo, Music Choice and others.

That is revenue the industry is keenly interested in protecting; hopes are that YouTube and others will ink similar deals with the industry in the long run.

McGuire says one of the big questions for viral video ultimately is its ability to spur purchasing of music products.

"In the end, you want it not only driving ad revenue but also a full-blown financial transaction where somebody is paying," he says. "The labels and their promo people have to figure out how this channel works for them in terms of creating demand for things like downloads and CDs and ticket sales."

BITS & BRIEFS

MOVIES GO GUBA

Warner Bros. Entertainment has inked a deal to sell and rent downloads of its movie and TV titles through online video site Guba.com. More than 200 titles will be available at launch including "Syriana," "Good Night, and Good Luck," "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" and "Everything Is Illuminated." Rental prices start at \$1.99 per movie for unlimited views during a 24-hour period. Viewers can buy extra viewing days for reduced fees without the need to download the film again. Catalog films will retail for \$9.99 and new releases, available on the same date that DVDs are released in stores, will retail for \$19.99. TV shows will retail starting at \$1.79 per episode. The deal comes on the heels of a similar licensing pact Warner Bros. entered into with BitTorrent in May.

RADIO DISNEY GOES MOBILE

Radio Disney is coming to cell phones via a new deal with mobile entertainment specialist mSpot. Under the agreement, mSpot Radio, a mobile radio service that streams close to 100 channels of music, news,

sports and talk radio to mobile phones, will launch a new channel showcasing Radio Disney programming. "This alliance is another step in our strategy to keep Radio Disney connected with kids and families, whenever and wherever they are," Radio Disney president/GM Jean-Paul Colaco says.

NAPSTER OFFERS PLAYER

Napster has introduced a new branded digital music player. The 1GB flash-based device features a color LCD screen, FM tuner, six equalizer settings and support for Windows Media Audio and MP3 files, as well as pictures and videos. The device is sold through Napster.com at a discounted price of \$50 to customers who purchase a full-year subscription to its Napster to Go portable music service. The company is also offering a 256MB flash-based Napster-branded player for free with a paid full-year subscription. Napster is promoting the device in connection with its latest client software, version 3.7, which also features the ability to auto-synch content to portable devices.

YAHOO! MUSIC TOP 20 STREAMS

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The rapper took part in Yahoo's "Get Your Freak On" campaign, soliciting viewers to submit their own videos, echoing the "Fans Only" success of Shakira's "Hips Don't Lie."

Her new single, "Déjà Vu," rises 12-9 on Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Songs.



1	SHAKIRA	Hips Don't Lie EPIC	6,117,519
2	SEAN PAUL	Temperature VP/ATLANTIC	2,722,900
3	LIL JON	Snap Yo Fingers BME/TVT	2,328,380
4	NELLY FURTADO	Promiscuous MOSLEY/GEFFEN	2,265,515
5	JAMES BLUNT	You're Beautiful ATLANTIC	2,242,402
6	DANIEL POWTER	Bad Day WARNER BROS.	2,301,464
7	FORT MINOR	Where'd You Go MACHINE SHOP/WB	1,983,378
8	NICK LACHEY	What's Left Of Me JIVE	1,857,656
9	KELLY CLARKSON	Walk Away RCA	1,806,412
10	YUNG Joc	It's Goin' Down BAO BOY SOUTH/ATLANTIC	1,780,790
11	PARIS HILTON	Stars Are Blind WARNER BROS.	1,779,225
12	CHERISH	Do It To It SHO'NUFF/CAPITOL	1,770,199
13	T-PAIN	I'm N Luv (Wit A Stripper) JIVE	1,732,159
14	CASCADA	Everytime We Touch ROBBINS	1,673,706
15	THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS	Buttons A&M/INTERSCOPE	1,654,264
16	CHAMILLIONAIRE	Ridin' UNIVERSAL	1,632,184
17	RIHANNA	SOS DEF JAM	1,593,644
18	LETOYA	Tom CAPITOL	1,547,855
19	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD	Unwritten EPIC	1,464,385
20	BEYONCÉ	Check On It COLUMBIA	1,428,708

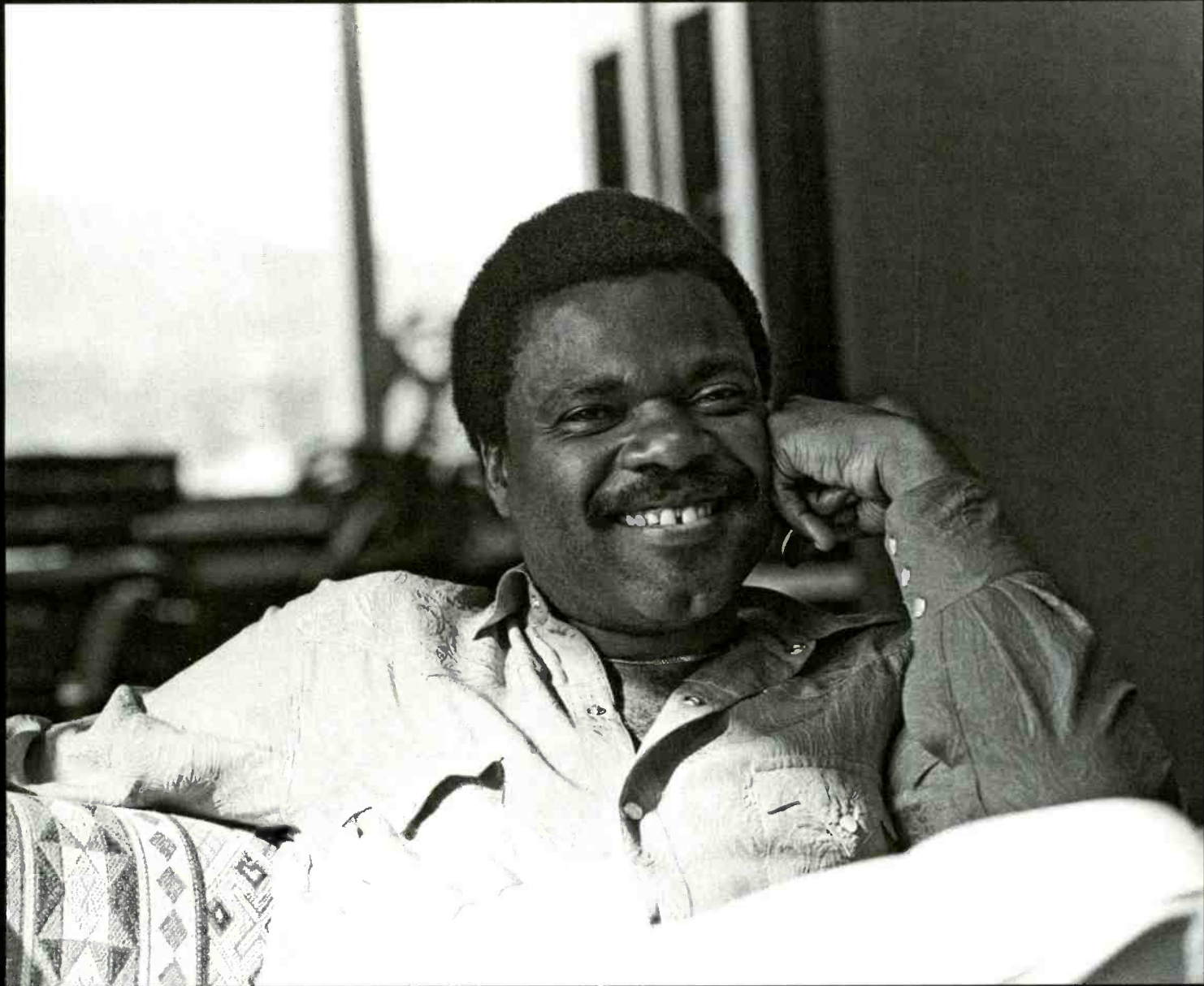
The top 20 audio and video streams (combined) for the four weeks ending June 25. Source: Yahoo! Music



FINALLY, BLU-RAY

While much of the world will get its first taste of Blu-ray video technology with the launch of the Sony PS3 expected later this year, Samsung Electronics America is the first to market with a stand-alone Blu-ray disc player. The BD-P1000 hit stores June 25 and boasts close to five times the resolution of conventional DVDs. "Until now, there hasn't been a prerecorded media solution for consumers to take full advantage of the pristine picture their HDTVs are capable of producing," says Jim Sanduski, senior VP of marketing for Samsung's Audio and Video Products Group. For the uninitiated, Blu-ray is one of two next-generation video formats—along with HD DVD—vying for the attention of consumers. But that higher picture quality comes at a steep price. The BD-P1000 carries a list price of \$1,000.

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Bonnaroo Organizers Keep It Together

In Their Fifth Year, Fest Planners Maintain A Seamless Event

Much has been made about Bonnaroo's shift in musical direction (which organizers downplay), but what's really remarkable to a veteran behind-the-scenes attendee is how seamless the logistics have become. The festival ran June 16-18 this year (Billboard, July 1).

Bonnaroo had its stuff really together from the beginning, but five years in, attending the festival is easier than events at some permanent venues that have been operating for years. And the Bonnaroo site is a virtual city that arises from a hay field in a completely rural area 60 miles south of Nashville.

Some 80,000 fans and another 10,000-plus staff and emergency and medical personnel, as well as industry players, exist comfortably and stress-free for four days. Bonnaroo producers Superfly Productions and A.C. Entertainment have this thing down.

"This being our fifth year, the team has worked together. We know the site better, which allows us to pay more attention to the details," Superfly president Jonathan Mayers says.

A.C. president Ashley Capps adds, "We plan this event year 'round, and the team that works on it is very conscientious about all the details. Our goal is to create the very best festival experience that we can for the fans, for the artists, and everything else comes from that one goal."

Bonnaroo enjoyed its first year without significant rain—and mud—saving the producers about \$250,000 of their

contingency budget. "We still budget for the weather and take a lot of precautionary steps," Mayers says, "but this was our best weather of the five years." Bonnaroo's multimillion-dollar budget (those involved decline to release figures) is still inching up, mostly on the production end, according to Mayers. "There's so much room still for continued improvement," he says. "It's expensive to run a 24-hour event. We're able to kind of stabilize the budget a bit, but it's still a significant budget."

For the third year, Bonnaroo offered Thursday entertainment as campers moved in and staked their claims. "That's such a great slot [for acts], because people are soaped and ready to have a good time, and there's not much competition," Mayers says. "It's a good really first-Bonnaroo play."

Bonnaroo has also fine-tuned its relationship with the city of Manchester and Coffee County. Many failed festival producers know how crucial these relationships are.

"We think the town really wants us here, and we want to be part of the community and to be here a long time," Mayers says. "We're bringing 80,000 people to this town, and we're very conscious of that and we do a lot of different programs to help try and raise money. We put a lot of people on our staff who are part of the local community, we go to board meetings and community meetings to hear constructive criticism and people's concerns because we want to address them."

Bonnaroo producers negotiated a new deal with the local municipalities last year. "We give them \$3 a ticket, and we also raise money through a silent auction," Mayers says. "Our concessions people work with local organizations to staff out, and they get a percentage of that. It feels like the community wants us here, and that's important. We want to be somewhere that embraces us."

As is the case with any city of nearly 100,000, the odds of something bad happening during the course of several days are high, and the Bonnaroo locale is not exempt from those odds. This year, a festival worker was killed in an accident in the days leading up to the event. And as bluegrass legend Ricky Skaggs and Kentucky Thunder left the festival after their Friday-night performance, their bus struck and killed a concertgoer who had climbed the fence, left the festival grounds and wandered out onto Interstate 24 adjacent to the site.

"Any time something like that happens of course it's very upsetting. It's hard to really take that in," Mayers says. "More than anything we send our condolences to the family."

But negative incidents at Bonnaroo are few, given all the factors in play. "If you look at our statistics, [negative incidents] are extraordinarily low," Capps says. "Over the years, for example, we've had very, very few fights. Over the five-year period I can count them on one hand and have fingers left over." ■■■

BOXSCORE Concert Grosses

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	GROSS/ TICKET PRICE(S)	ARTIST(S) Venue, Date	Attendance Capacity	Promoter
1	\$14,731,723 \$184.50/\$169.50	BONNAROO MUSIC FESTIVAL Festival Site, Manchester, Tenn., June 16-18	80,681 three sellouts	A.C. Entertainment, Superfly Productions
2	\$9,271,790 \$350/\$55	MADONNA United Center, Chicago, June 14- 15, 18-19	52,000 four sellouts	The Next Adventure
3	\$5,670,150 (\$6,265,005 Canadian) \$316.77/\$49.78	MADONNA Bell Centre, Montreal, June 21-22	34,940 two sellouts	The Next Adventure, Gillett Entertainment Group
4	\$4,890,090 \$350/\$55	MADONNA Glendale Arena, Glendale, Ariz., June 8, 10	28,820 two sellouts	The Next Adventure
5	\$3,749,800 \$350/\$55	MADONNA Save Mart Center, Fresno, Calif., June 5, 20	20,154 two sellouts	The Next Adventure
6	\$3,451,235 \$350/\$55	MADONNA Hartford Civic Center, Hartford, Conn., June 25-26	21,558 two sellouts	The Next Adventure
7	\$3,247,853 \$99.50/\$69.50/ \$49.50	TIM MCGRAW & FAITH HILL Madison Square Garden, New York, June 23-24	35,855 two sellouts	Live Nation
8	\$3,060,322 \$87/\$67/\$37	TIM MCGRAW & FAITH HILL Wachovia Center, Philadelphia, June 15-16	37,806 two sellouts	Live Nation
9	\$2,893,955 \$79.50/\$49.50/ \$34.50	KENNY CHESNEY, GRETCHEN WILSON, BIG & RICH & OTHERS Qwest Field, Seattle, June 24	44,582 sellout	The Messina Group/AEG Live
10	\$2,523,545 \$85/\$60/\$35	TIM MCGRAW & FAITH HILL TD Banknorth Garden, Boston, June 25-26	33,851 two sellouts	Live Nation
11	\$2,144,766 \$225/\$175/ \$127.50/\$87.50	CELINE DION Colosseum at Caesars Palace, Las Vegas, June 22-25	15,846 16,592 four shows two sellouts	Concerts West/AEG Live
12	\$1,916,676 \$126/\$36	JIMMY BUFFETT Alpine Valley Music Theatre, East Troy, Wis., June '0	35,454 sellout	Live Nation
13	\$1,759,125 \$275/\$45	ANDREA BCCELLI HP Pavilion, San Jose, Calif., June 10	12,865 sellout	Live Nation, in-house
14	\$1,721,875 \$87.25/\$62.75/ \$42.75	TIM MCGRAW & FAITH HILL Giant Center, Hershey Pa., June 17-18	20,538 two sellouts	Live Nation
15	\$1,653,928 (\$2,241,672 Australian) \$88.46/\$56.07	COLDPLAY, YOUTH GROUP Entertainment Centre, Brisbane, Australia, June 23-24	22,145 22,832 two shows	Chugg Entertainment
16	\$1,569,396 \$66.50/\$36.50	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND, G. LOVE & SPECIAL SAUCE Post-Gazette Pavilion, Burgesstown, Pa., June 9-10	37,480 46,140 two shows	Live Nation
17	\$1,485,489 \$59.50/\$49.50	GEORGE STRAIT, TRACY LAWRENCE, MIRANDA LAMBERT Pizza Hut Park, Frisco, Texas, May 26	25,463 30,628	The Messina Group/AEG Live
18	\$1,354,080 \$85/\$75/\$45	KENNY CHESNEY, DIERKS BENTLEY, CARRIE UNDERWOOD Home Depot Center, Carson, Calif., June 17	20,745 sellout	Goldenvoice, The Messina Group/AEG Live
19	\$1,073,698 \$87/\$62/\$37	TIM MCGRAW & FAITH HILL Bryce Jordan Center, University Park, Pa., June 21	13,832 sellout	Jack Utsick Presents N.E.
20	\$1,031,604 \$47.50/\$35.50	EDGEFEST STAINED, SEETHER, SHINEDOWN & OTHERS Pizza Hut Park, Frisco, Texas, June 18	22,272 27,038	AEG Live
21	\$991,904 \$59.50/\$49.50	GEORGE STRAIT, TRACY LAWRENCE, MIRANDA LAMBERT AT&T Center, San Antonio, May 27	16,932 18,869	The Messina Group/AEG Live
22	\$920,524 \$67.55/\$57.55	KENNY CHESNEY, DIERKS BENTLEY, CARRIE UNDERWOOD Glendale Arena, Glendale, Ariz., June 15	14,547 sellout	The Messina Group/AEG Live
23	\$874,529 \$59.50/\$39.50	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND, MATISYAHU Darion Lake PAC, Darion Center, N.Y., June 14	19,465 21,800	Live Nation
24	\$870,671 \$68.50/\$34.50	KENNY CHESNEY, DIERKS BENTLEY, CARRIE UNDERWOOD USANA Amphitheatre, West Valley City, Utah, June 21	19,622 sellout	United Concerts, The Messina Group/AEG Live
25	\$869,183 \$62.50/\$52.50	KENNY CHESNEY, DIERKS BENTLEY, CARRIE UNDERWOOD Oakland Arena, Oakland, Calif., June 13	14,805 sellout	in-house, The Messina Group/AEG Live
26	\$793,000 \$85/\$45	RBD US Airways Center, Phoenix, June 17	11,846 sellout	Roctus
27	\$778,889 (\$616,390) \$101.09/\$88.45	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN WITH THE SEEGER SESSIONS BAND Point Theatre, Dublin, May 5	8,384 sellout	Aiken Promotions
28	\$765,153 \$71.50/\$29	TOM PETTY & THE HEARTBREAKERS, TREY ANASTASIO Nissan Pavilion, Bristol, Va., June 10	18,017 22,572	Live Nation
29	\$743,336 \$49/\$25	RASCAL FLAETS, GARY ALLAN, THE WRECKERS UMB Bank Pavilion, Maryland Heights, Mo., June 24	21,686 sellout	Live Nation
30	\$725,824 \$99.75/\$78.75/ \$68.25	KENNY CHESNEY, DIERKS BENTLEY, CARRIE UNDERWOOD Mandalay Bay Events Center, Las Vegas, June 16	8,485 sellout	in-house, The Messina Group/AEG Live
31	\$722,684 \$71/\$61	KENNY CHESNEY, DIERKS BENTLEY, JAKE OWEN Coors Amphitheatre, Chula Vista, Calif., June 18	13,996 19,502	House of Blues Concerts, The Messina Group/AEG Live
32	\$700,348 (\$549,685) \$127.4/ \$108.30/\$95.55/\$82.82	ELTON JOHN Point Theatre, Dublin, May 28	6,147 sellout	Aiken Promotions
33	\$693,614 \$59.50/\$39.50	DAVE MATTHEWS BAND, G. LOVE & SPECIAL SAUCE DTE Energy Music Center, Clarkston, Mich., June 6	15,556 sellout	Live Nation, Palace Sports & Entertainment
34	\$622,842 \$72/\$25.50	TOM PETTY & THE HEARTBREAKERS, TREY ANASTASIO Germain Amphitheater, Columbus, Ohio, June 14	17,889 20,000	Live Nation
35	\$591,553 (\$6,474,260 pesos) \$167.21/\$27.41	DEPECHE MODE Arena Monterrey, Monterrey, Mexico, May 7	11,706 sellout	in-house

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One Year Old, AAIM Continues The Indie Fight

Trade Body Tackles New Issues, Seeks Out New Members

In its first year of existence, the American Assn. of Independent Music (AAIM) confronted old and new technologies. The trade body negotiated with Apple to raise the rates indies receive on paid downloads from 65 cents to 70 cents, then fired off documents to the FCC arguing for the strict enforcement of anti-payola laws.

The former excites labels about the possibilities of what a coalition can accomplish. But fighting for radio access? Not so much.

Most in the industry agree that the independent community has enjoyed a healthy few years. The Internet is empowering labels and artists, and Billboard has documented many examples of success snared without radio by such acts as *Arcade Fire*, *Clap Your Hands Say Yeah* and *Tapes 'N Tapes*. But the independent sector's growth—highlighted by the emergence of Barsuk, the resurgence of Sub Pop and the consistent triumphs of Victory Records—has had little to do with U.S. radio.

For now, plenty are happy to sit out the costly radio game. In a recent interview, Definitive Jux head Amaechi Uzoigwe noted that people aren't "really clamoring for indie rock or indie hip-hop" on the airwaves. And speaking on the condition of anonymity, one indie label head says, "It's a little hypocritical. [AAIM is] flying the indie flag so we can act more like majors?"

That's not to say indies would turn down increased airplay from modern rock stations like KROQ Los Angeles or WKQX (Q101) Chicago, but the Web is priority one for most labels. Talking with indies during the past few weeks, we found that radio play is a distant thought. Of greater concern is the possibility that pay-for-placement tactics will take hold on the Internet. In an era where Web site Pitchforkmedia.com can break a band, time spent fight-

ing for airplay seems almost like a step backward.

"I just can't help but think that access to the Internet, or the ability to participate in it, is going to become far more expensive," Sub Pop head Jonathan Poneman says. "It is not going to be as accessible to [indie labels] as it is now."

AAIM acting president Don Rose has heard all of the above.

"That is exactly the problem," he says. "I've heard that from large indies who are in the rock and pop worlds. They tell me they've given up on radio. That makes the effort that much more relevant. These are people who are releasing music that should be pop music. I would hope these labels would find radio more relevant and once again engage in it if the process were more open and fair."

To be sure, radio access is just one issue AAIM is attempting to address. It happens to be a high-profile topic—and it's one that even inspired an editorial from Rose in this magazine (*Billboard*, May 13). Additionally, the fact that AAIM has been advising Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., on anti-payola legislation is an accomplishment not to be taken lightly, even if other senators have not joined in.

It reminds us, however, of the difficult task Rose has undertaken. As the head of a trade body that represents 125 indie labels, he is attempting to give voice to labels of varying sizes, whose ideologies and business practices often are not in line with each other.

"Don is doing a good job," Poneman says. "My priorities may be different than his, but he's a level-headed individual, and he's a good businessperson. . . . He's just the person this organization needs to get it off the ground, and it is off the ground."

AAIM enters its second year stating that it has raised more than \$500,000 in dues. According to documentation from the

organization, its member labels represent about a 7% share of the U.S. market.

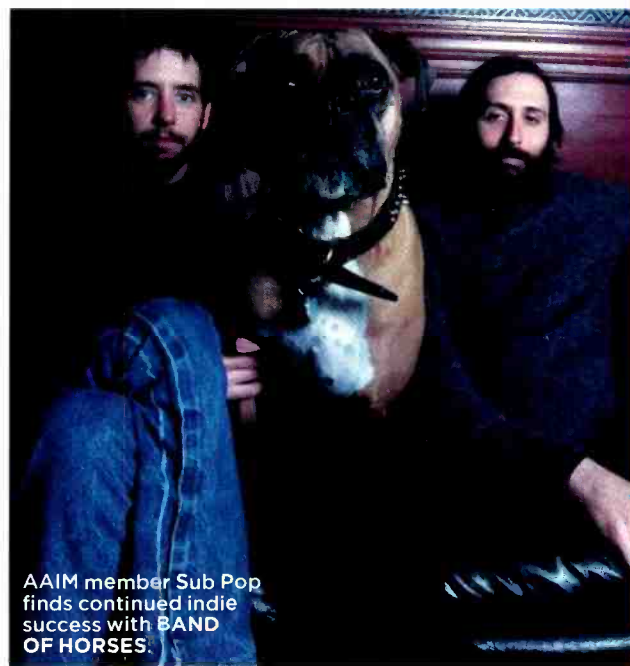
This, Rose says, is about halfway to the coalition's market-share goal of 14%. With the hope of expediting its efforts, AAIM delivered a call to arms to the independent community in June. In a memo sent to non-member labels, AAIM's board states: "It's time for us to ask the question: Are you with us? Don't burden the initial believers with shouldering the load for everyone."

Among AAIM's first-year supporters are such prominent labels as Sub Pop, Epitaph, Ultra and Touch & Go. But a 7% market share indicates that a number of high-level indies

disagreements with some of those on the nine-member AAIM board. Rose notes that Def Jux's Uzoigwe and Kill Rock Stars founder Slim Moon were recently elected to the AAIM board, and the organization is trying to cast as wide a net as possible.

"You get some people who are activists by nature, and they want to be part of a movement," Rose says. "Then you get the other people who are sort of the 'show me' types. We're in that process right now, trying to demonstrate the relevance of a coalition."

For the coming year, Rose and AAIM have identified wireless downloads, video-on-demand Web sites and satellite



AAIM member Sub Pop finds continued indie success with BAND OF HORSES.

have yet to jump onboard.

Some, like Vagrant head Rich Egan, are taking a wait-and-see approach.

"We were involved in the early talks, and I had some reservations," he says. "I think those kind of coalitions can run great if everyone has the same aim. I think everyone starts off with the same aim, and you start to see fractures. I'm not ruling out ever being part of it, but I'm curious to see how the marketplace reacts to it."

Others have cited ethical

radio recording devices as just a few of the topics on which the organization will be advising labels. Rose says AAIM will continue to reach out to labels to diversify its membership.

But when will he move from "acting" president to president?

"It's not even an issue that's been talked about for some time," Rose says. "The board will have to decide if that's what they want. I've been very happy to get the organization launched and continue with it for the foreseeable future." ♦♦♦



Best Buy Turns A Promo Page

Major Retailer Opens Up Its Shelves To Magazine's Faves

In what appears to be a first for Best Buy, the pre-eminent retail marketer of music is partnering with a consumer magazine covering the entertainment sector in a promotion that pushes new and catalog titles.

In partnering with Blender magazine, Best Buy appears to be embracing a strategy used by some chains and indie stores. The 754-unit chain will feature music titles endorsed by the magazine in special Blender-branded locations.

In the past, Tower Records supported titles and artists featured in the chain's Pulse magazine as did Musicland with its Request magazine.

A number of independent merchants, particularly in the three national indie-store coalitions, also embrace that marketing strategy.

According to Blender publisher Lee Rosenbaum, Best Buy will have a Blender-approved section featuring new music and catalog titles in a designated area in the bins in 658 Best Buy stores.

Best Buy will also devote endcaps for two monthlong sale periods, the "Back to School Cool" program, kicking off July 18, and a second program launching Sept. 10 in 750-plus Best Buy stores.

The Blender sections and endcap will be supported by Best Buy's powerful weekly insert and on the home page of bestbuy.com.

"They were looking for a trusted source to add to the retail section by identifying titles that will appeal to young men," Rosenbaum says. "When you get an invite from the likes of Best Buy, you RSVP."

Blender, which has a circulation of about 750,000, has an audience with a high composition of 18- to 34-year-old readers, including a lot of college students.

"This alliance with Blender is another compelling way that we can help expose our customers to new music and generate excitement about entertainment," Best Buy senior music buyer Ed Hogan said in a statement.

Initial titles in the program include Joan Jett's "Sinner," Cam'ron's "Killa Season," Dixie Chicks' "Taking the Long Way," Def Leppard's "Rock of Ages," Christina Milian's "So Amazin'" and Tears for Fears' "Songs From the Big Chair: Deluxe Edition." Each title will have a short Blender-stylized review on yellow bin cards.

Blender's editorial department recommends titles and writes a customized bin card for each selection. All titles must be approved by Best Buy, and then Blender solicits the labels to see if they want to participate, according to sources familiar with the promotion.

"We are working with the retailer and record companies to help the business by exposing people to the product," Rosenbaum says. "It will be a compelling presentation."

In addition, Best Buy will also feature Blender in the chain's stores that sell magazines. ♦♦♦

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Zomba's Development Plan

Talent Focus Is On Up-And-Coming, Unaffiliated Artists

Nine months into David Mantel's gig as president of Zomba Music Publishing U.S., the company is seeing positive results.

Songs written by new signings are climbing the charts, the A&R team is scouring garages to find undeveloped talent, and business affairs is crafting a new structure for development deals.

T-Pain was Zomba's first signing after Mantel took the reins last September from Richard Blackstone, who moved on to head Warner/Chappell Music. Faheem Najm, professionally known as T-Pain, writes, produces, sings and raps. "I'm Sprung," from his album "Rappa Ternt Sanga" on Konvict

Side" (Virgin Records/EMI), has sold 1.7 million units worldwide, according to Zomba.

Meanwhile, Mantel says Zomba is shifting its development focus to find talent at a much earlier stage. In the past, the publisher would sign songwriter/artists to develop, but the talent was already signed to a label or had something else going on that would get them attention, he says.

"Now we're going in at a much earlier stage when someone has no affiliation," Mantel says. "What I want to bring into Zomba is an element of developing talent that hasn't really been recognized yet by the traditional A&R community, who often times doesn't have a man-

until the first advance has been recouped from earnings. There can be a long lag time that elapses before songwriters receive additional funds.

While Mantel won't disclose specific deal terms, he explains that the developing artist/songwriters can realize financial benefits much quicker under Zomba's new agreements.

"We're working [the artists] like they're stars and flowing through the economic benefit that we can find for them essentially immediately," Mantel says. "Once we know that we have these opportunities—that the money will eventually come in—we're giving the benefit of that back."

The writers do not necessar-

'I want to bring Zomba an element of developing talent that hasn't really been recognized by the traditional A&R community.'—DAVID MANTEL



Muzik/Jive, reached No. 8 on The Billboard Hot 100 last November. "I'm N Luv (Wit a Stripper)" hit No. 5 in February. The two singles have sparked 4 million ringtone sales, according to the publisher.

Flyleaf, another signing under Mantel's leadership, is a difficult-to-classify screamo/hard-rock alternative band from Texas. Lacey Mosley, who fronts the group, writes with bandmates James Culpepper, Sameer Bhattacharya, Jared Hartmann and Pat Seals. They all signed with Zomba.

"I'm So Sick" from the group's self-titled album on Octone/J Records, peaked at No. 12 on Billboard's Mainstream Rock chart in April. "Fully Alive" entered the chart in June and rose to No. 34 in the July 1 issue. Flyleaf is on tour with Korn, whose members also have a co-publishing deal with Zomba. Korn's latest album, "See You on the Other

ager or any representation at all, but is a brilliant band or songwriter sitting in their living room in some small town, in some small state, who needs to get recognized."

The first three development projects are artist/songwriters Cass Dillon, Cameron Jaymes and the Crew.

Another new twist for Zomba is the way these development deals are set up.

"They are not the traditional, stodgy publishing deals," says Mantel, who worked with artists as an attorney/manager before joining Zomba. "They're structured in a way that allows us to have the flexibility to move, but [which] also gives much quicker benefits to people that sign with us if we get some traction."

For example, traditional publishing deals often provide for an advance to the songwriter, but also provide that there is not another advance or royalties

ily have to wait for full recoupment of an advance before receiving additional funds, he says. Before they land a record deal, Zomba is working closely with the film/TV synch network of parent BMG Music Publishing and its offices worldwide to generate revenue for the songwriters. Earnings generated from these opportunities can flow through to the writers.

"What I've found these days is that more music supervisors for films and television shows are interested in breaking bands that are the interesting bands—that are going to be the great bands—and not necessarily going all the time for a well-known name," Mantel says. "They know that kids, listening to music on the Internet and communicating by blogs, know what the great music is, and it doesn't always translate into what the record companies are signing." ...

LITTLE STEVEN'S UNDERGROUND GARAGE



GARAGE ROCK

WELCOME. We've decided to celebrate the underappreciated Go-Go's by revisiting their latest, "God Bless the Go-Go's," and declare "La La Land" the coolest song in the world this week.

New groups like the Holograms (and most of the super-cool Teenacide roster) remind us that it was the Go-Go's, and their original producer Richard Gottehrer, who revitalized and institutionalized the girl-group, punky-pop genre made popular by the Runaways (with producer Kim Fowley) and started by Genya Ravan's Goldie & the Gingerbreads in 1964.

Any group with its original members 25 years later is a living miracle and an inspiration to their fans, and "God Bless" shows they're as good and maybe better than ever.

Revisit the record and you'll see what I mean. The Go-Go's are touring now, so let's hope they start recording regularly again.

In the You Can't Make This Up Department ... If you wonder why major record companies are going the way of the dinosaurs consider this:

We won't say who is suing which major for a bigger piece of the download pie, but it seems this major is applying its already ridiculous standard contract clauses to this new form of distribution—like taking a percentage from the artist's royalty for "breakage" and a "container charge." For downloading songs!

And the balance of nature continues with the cancellation of the BBC's "Top of the Pops" TV show after 42 years, but ...

Are we ready for "Ramones the Musical"? Yes, indeed, "Gabba Gabba Hey," the world's first punk musical, will run in London from July 31 to Aug. 5. It contains 18 Ramones songs and a cast that includes Tommy Ramone himself. Bravo, baby!

See you next week. ...

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6 HANDS V2	THE RACONTEURS
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>>> LAMEIGNÈRE TAKES SNEP HELM

Christophe Lameignère, chairman/CEO of Sony BMG France, was elected president of French labels body SNEP during its annual general meeting June 22 in Paris.

Lameignère will serve a two-year term. He succeeds Gilles Bressand, president of Paris-based indie label XIII Bis Records, who has helmed SNEP for the past five years. Bressand is now VP of the body.

SNEP published a list of key priorities at the meeting with particular emphasis on ensuring the effective application of the country's forthcoming Copyright Bill, which will bring French legislation on digital delivery and copying into line with other key European markets. The bill is due to be voted on shortly by the French Parliament.

SNEP's existing board was also re-elected for two years.

—Aymeric Pichevin

>>> WRAGG EXITS UMGI

Barney Wragg, senior VP of Universal Music Group International's eLabs unit, has exited the company. UMGI declined to comment on the departure.

Wragg was widely considered one of the company's leading executives in new technology and digital music. Since joining Universal in 2001, he had been credited by insiders with driving the company's transition toward a digital future. Prior to Universal, Wragg was operations manager at U.K.-based Advanced RISC Machines, a leading provider of microprocessor technology for cell phones. He was promoted from VP to senior VP of eLabs in June 2005.

A Universal source says Wragg's central role had become effectively redundant because the company's digital issues were now being handled at the affiliate level. —Lars Brandle

>>> DIVINYLS TO ENTER AUSSIE HALL

The Divinyls, Icehouse and Daddy Cool will be inducted into the Australian Recording Industry Assn. (ARIA) Hall of Fame in August. Two more inductees will be announced in the coming weeks.

The induction ceremony—now in its second year—will be held Aug. 16 in Melbourne with highlights screened Aug. 20 on cable channel Foxtel's TV1 network.

The Divinyls had Australian hits with albums "Desperate" (1983), "What a Life!" (1985) and "Temperamental" (1988). The group's biggest international success was the single "I Touch Myself" (Virgin), which reached No. 4 on The Billboard Hot 100 in 1991. Icehouse had eight top 10 albums in Australia and scored a major international hit with the 1983 single "Hey Little Girl" (Chrysalis).

Daddy Cool's debut 1971 album "Daddy Who? Daddy Cool!" (Sparmac) yielded Australian chart-topping singles "Eagle Rock" and "Come Back Again" and was the first Australian album to ship more than 100,000 copies domestically.

Inductees, whose careers started at least 25 years ago, are chosen by the 10-person ARIA board. —Christie Eliezer

>>> TOFT QUITS EMI

EMI Music Denmark managing director Lars Toft has left the company after two years in the role.

An announcement on future management will be made in August, according to EMI. Adrian Cheesley, managing director of EMI Continental Europe's Eastern European, Middle East, Turkey & Africa unit, has been named interim GM of EMI Music Denmark. He will oversee the company's day-to-day activities as part of a supervisory board chaired by EMI Music Continental Europe COO Chris Kennedy.

Toft's plans have not yet been specified, but in a statement EMI Music Continental Europe chairman/CEO Jean-Francois Cecillon says: "I fully understand his decision to pursue a new career direction beyond the term of his contract with us, and I wish him every success in his next career step."

Toft was an executive at Danish furniture company Fritz Hansen before taking the EMI role in late 2003.

—Charles Ferro

ARIA Loses Sanity, Keeps Grip On Charts

GLOBAL BY CHRISTIE ELIEZER

SYDNEY—Weekly chart positions are the music industry's traditional currency, the coinage that eases the way to increased radio play and media attention.

But what would happen if that currency was devalued? That's a question Australian industry insiders are pondering as a chart data stalemate between the country's main labels body and its largest music retailer rumbles on.

In May, the Australian Recording Industry Assn. (ARIA) announced it was no longer using sales data from retail group Brazin to compile its singles, albums or digital charts.

30%

Amount of recorded music sold at Brazin's 392 Sanity, HMV and Virgin stores

In most other markets, losing one retailer might be inconvenient. When that merchant's stores account for around 30% of recorded music sales, the impact is clearly more significant.

Nevertheless, ARIA chart and marketing committee chairman John O'Donnell insists the charts remain "robust and solid" without Brazin.

In Australia Brazin operates 392 stores under the Sanity, HMV and Virgin brands. Although "official" figures are not available, local wholesalers credit Brazin with a market share of between 28% and 32%.

Other music merchants do not charge ARIA for data, but Brazin CEO Greg Milne confirms that ARIA was told, effective

May 19, that it would have to purchase the company's sales figures via Sydney-based research firm GfK. The latter collates Brazin's sales data to produce its in-store charts. Milne declines further comment.

Sources put the annual fee sought for the data at between \$200,000 Australian and \$300,000 Australian (\$147,000-\$220,500).

O'Donnell confirms the sum was "a pretty substantial figure," but adds that paying for data "is not something we'd entertain."

O'Donnell insists a weighting system ensures chart credibility. "It's still a chart of record," he says, "that we stand behind in reflecting the sales around the country."

Without Brazin's outlets, ARIA is collecting data from 850 music stores, including the JB Hi-Fi chain, which industry estimates give 18%-20% market share. It also collects data from an unspecified number of mass merchants, including the 700-plus Woolworths chain.

Around 750 outlets in that sample are operated by members of the Australian Music Retail Assn. whose chief executive, Ian Harvey, backs the ARIA charts. "[They are] representative of retail activity across Australia each week," Harvey says.

According to Harvey, payment for data is not an issue for other AMRA members, in part because ARIA pays the association an undisclosed sum annually to help with operating costs.

However, other sectors of the music biz remain concerned about Brazin's exit.

Music Managers Forum board member Colin Seeger says the body is "aware of the

lengths ARIA goes to for a credible chart." But he adds, "If there is a perception in the public that it's not [credible], we have a problem."

One major-label source suggests the current impasse could mean a lower chart profile for development acts—particularly contemporary rock acts—that are usually championed by Brazin's chains.

Managers and labels of such acts admit to being apprehensive. Sydney-based Black Yak co-founder Sebastian Chase calls the Brazin/ARIA situation "a dilemma that has to be overcome."

Black Yak/Warner act the Whitlams' March 20 release "Little Cloud" dropped out of the Top 50 album chart published June 5 from No. 35 the previous week. The band's earlier albums had longer chart runs.

Acknowledging that "different stores have different biases in their customers' taste," Chase agrees there is a possibility the chart slide may have been accelerated by the Brazin/ARIA standoff.

Some observers had been waiting to see how Brisbane-based alternative rock quartet the Butterfly Effect's sophomore album, "Imago" (Roadshow Music), fared in the ARIA listing. At first sight, ARIA's weighting system seems to be working—in charts for the week ending June 24, "Imago" entered at No. 1 on the GfK-compiled HMV midweek chart, No. 2 on the ARIA listing.

The knock-on effect of a relatively low chart position leading to less airplay on chart-focused stations would concern many acts, although Butterfly

Effect's Brisbane-based manager Dave Leonard takes a measured view.

"The issue doesn't worry us so much," he says. "Our sales come from the following we built up through touring rather than radio airplay."

However, Leonard adds: "I have no doubt in my mind that we'd have had a No. 1 debut if Brazin sales had been counted. The album was well-stocked at Sanity and HMV, and was No. 1 on both their [midweek] charts. But we had no product in department stores, because they only stock top 20 product or bands that had top 20 success."

Ironically, ARIA could have expected the charts to be under the spotlight for different reasons. In April, it launched a digital chart and O'Donnell—who is also managing director of EMI Music Australia—says digital data will be incorporated into its main charts Sept. 1.

The trade group also recently announced a sponsorship deal with cell phone maker Motorola (billboard.biz, Feb. 2) tied to a new national chart show on radio network Nova, and began supplying free printed charts to retail for distribution to customers.

The amount of sponsorship was not disclosed, but Leonard suggests that ARIA "could have reached a compromise and paid [Brazin]" with Motorola's money.

Regardless, O'Donnell says negotiations with Brazin will continue. "We have a good relationship with Brazin," he insists. "They're an important part of our business; we'll work with them in the future and hopefully rescind this."

Industry insiders are watching alt-rock act THE BUTTERFLY EFFECT'S performance on the charts.



THE DIVINYLS



GLOBAL BY HOWELL LLEWELLYN

UMG Indie Spree

Purchase Of Spain's Top Indie Marks New Global Strategy

MADRID—Universal Music Group's (UMG) June 22 purchase of Spain's biggest independent label looks set to be the first of many such buys.

According to Miami-based Universal Music Latin America & Iberian Peninsula chairman Jesús López, the purchase of Barcelona-based Vale Music marks a new global strategy for Universal of acquiring key indies with proven domestic A&R track records.

López says the goal is to boost local repertoire in territories where Universal is not the local market leader. He adds that the strategy is being spearheaded by a triumvirate: UMG CEO Doug Morris in New York, London-based UMG International chairman/CEO Lucian Grainge and Paris-based Pascal Negre, president of UMG's Mediterranean, South America & Middle East Regions.

Universal is Spain's third-biggest label, with a 16.9% market share in 2005, according to labels' body Promusicae. Sony BMG was the market leader with 27.2% share, ahead of Warner in the second spot with 19.7%.

Vale was Spain's fifth-biggest label in 2005 with 11%, behind EMI's 15.7%. A combined 27.9% for Universal and Vale would, then, put them slightly ahead of Sony BMG.

But, López adds, "buying Vale and other indie labels around the world in coming weeks is not primarily about gaining market share. Neither is it about saving costs or cutting jobs."

Although terms were not disclosed, López calls industry speculation that Universal paid €47 million (\$59 million) for Vale "not accurate." Vale reported total sales of €271 million (\$340 million) in 2005.

The acquisition has to be cleared by a Spanish Economy Ministry competition tribunal, although López calls that a "technical formality" and expects approval by late summer.

Vale was launched in Barcelona in 1997 by president Ricardo Campoy and two partners as a dance compilation specialist and had immediate success with various-artist collections. A quantum leap in its fortunes came in 2001 when Vale partnered with Barcelona-based TV production company Gestmusic to sign artists emerging from its reality TV/talent show "Operación Triunfo."

The show began in October 2001 and was massively successful (Billboard, Jan. 12, 2002), launching the careers of David Bisbal, Bustamante and Rosa.

Vale says it has sold 40 million albums glob-

ally through an international distribution deal with Universal; 14 million were "Operación Triunfo"-related, including 4 million by Bisbal.

Vale's progress has taken Campoy light years away from a dark period in his life shortly before he launched the company.

In 1992, Campoy founded another successful Barcelona-based dance compilation company, Max Music, but fell out with partner Miquel Degà and left to set up Vale Music in 1997.

In September 1998, the Barcelona music scene was stunned when DJ Josep María Castells was found badly beaten outside Barcelona. Castells worked with Campoy, resembled him and drove a similar red car.

Before long, ex-partner Degà and three hitmen were behind bars, serving six-year jail sentences; Degà had hired the hitmen to give Campoy a beating—or worse—over an alleged debt, and they assaulted Castells, mistakenly.

Campoy says he did not want to sell when Universal approached him three months ago. But he says that, given market conditions, Vale ultimately needed Universal's investment dollars.

Vale will continue operating from its Barcelona offices, with Campoy installed as president for five years. It has a 15-artist roster, including eight signed from "Operación Triunfo." Campoy promises more signings before the end of the year.

The acquisition of Vale has been greeted with equanimity by the local indie-label sector. "The voracity of the major labels is part of the law of life," says Mario Pacheco, president of independent labels body UFI.

Bisbal's manager Eva Cebrián says she is "pleased that the Vale team is staying on at the label, as it means David's next albums will be in their hands. [Bisbal] is already an international star, but now he will be even more so, and as an artist in his own right, not one licensed out to another label."



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Soda's Relaunch Includes Teens' Video Diaries For Web Site

The Coca-Cola Co. is in the midst of injecting Sprite with a hip, new attitude—complete with a new yellow and green logo. A brand relaunch, if you will.

Out of left field, eye-grabbing ads created by the Crispin Porter + Bogusky agency in Miami began appearing a couple of months ago. More recently, the lemon-lime beverage, together with MSN and MediaVest, introduced an online campaign targeting the youth market.

A unit of Publicis-owned Starcom MediaVest Group, MediaVest concocted "Exposure," which focuses on three groups of teens (fine artists, athletes, musicians) who have been equipped with film technology being developed by



MSN Hardware. With this gear in hand, each group's members have been capturing their daily lives for viewing at exposure.msn.com. In a nutshell, the storylines will, if all goes according to plan, lead to "exposure" for the teens.

According to group director for Sprite Don King, the goal of "Exposure"—as well as Sprite's larger relaunch effort, which also includes a new, trippy Sprite Web site (sprite.com)—is twofold. It is a way to create an emotional reappraisal for teens who know the brand and a way to introduce new teens to the brand.

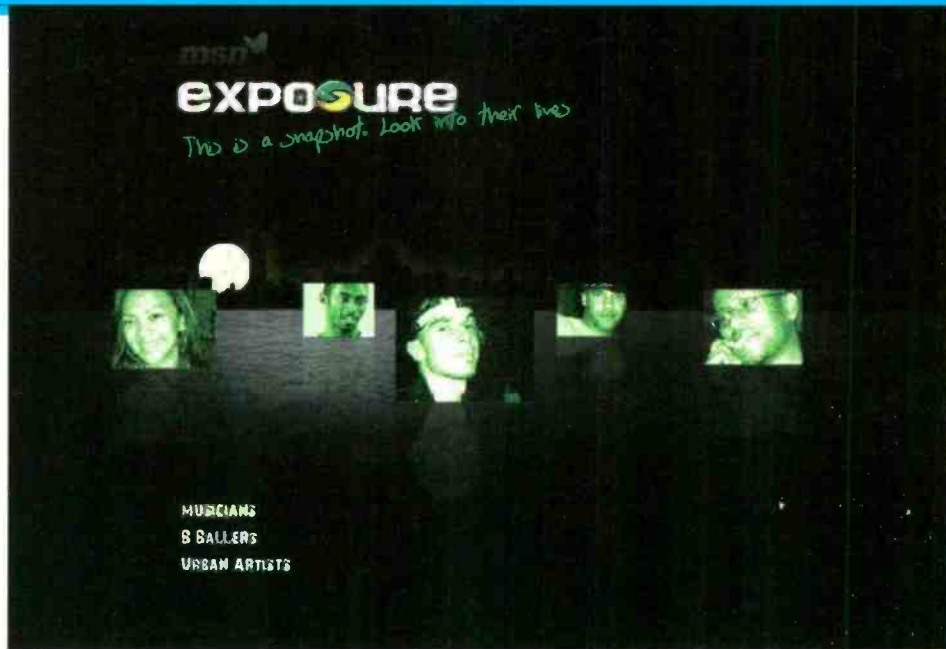
The one-off "Exposure" campaign is neither an unfiltered Web site nor a full-fledged reality show. It sits somewhere between the two,

offering user-generated and interactive content with context and purpose to those logging on.

For MediaVest associate media director Jonathan Hsia, what makes this campaign so special is that the participants are not airbrushed or manufactured. They are, he notes, "very talented and very relatable."

He continues, "We set out to champion the unique, talented young people whose stories have yet to be written, but have the potential to be."

Those following the trials and tribulations of musical act Odysy on "Exposure" know this: The unsigned, multiculti R&B/hip-hop act is fronted by female singer/songwriter Santalina, who, along with her bandmates (Rayvon, Chris, Jesse and Elijah), makes the trek from her Philadelphia neighborhood



Unsigned R&B/hip-hop act ODYSY, fronted by SANTALINA, far left, is looking to Sprite's new online initiative for exposure.

to New York.

In the Big Apple, they perform for Violator Management co-founder Chris Lighty.

With this campaign, and like the teens it targets, Sprite is hoping to cut through the sameness in the world by creating a new and unique brand identity. In other words, King explains, the relaunch of Sprite has nothing to do with conformity and everything to do with individuality.

"By leveraging the accessibility and intimacy of the Web, we were able to create a kaleidoscope of perspectives around a single event," Hsia says. "It speaks to the uniqueness in all of us. It applauds individuality. It celebrates self-expression."

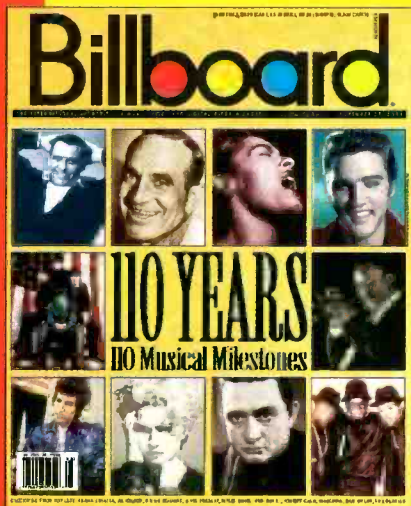
Since launching in June, "Exposure" has experienced "good traffic" on the site, King notes. Though King will not give an exact figure, he says

that there have been "millions" of impressions.

Whether Odysy breaks through or gets signed to Lighty's company remains to be seen. (Lighty was unavailable for comment.) But it appears that the quintet has found an audience. Of course, whether it can leverage this newfound audience into something more lucrative remains to be seen. The same is true of Sprite. Stay tuned.

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Q & A (Stephen Navin)



When Stephen Navin was appointed CEO of Britain's Music Publishers' Assn. in January, he took the mantle of an organization steeped in history—125 years of history, to be precise.

The London-based trade body, which looks after the interests of music publishers based or working in the United Kingdom, was established in July 1881. It was the same year Louis Pasteur developed the first artificially produced vaccine, U.S. President Garfield was shot by an assassin, Pablo Picasso was born and the suffragette movement was in full swing. Few, if any, organizations in the international music industry can boast such a life span.

At the MPA, Navin's mission is to champion the cause of music publishing into the 21st century. He brings with him an impressive legacy of his own.

In a career spanning 30-plus years, Navin, the consummate all-rounder, has garnered experience at the highest levels across most of the music industry's tendrils.

Prior to joining the MPA, Navin had a three-year spell as an adviser to the United Kingdom's Department of Culture, Media and Sport on music and other creative industries.

A lawyer, Navin, 55, has held roles as VP of operations for BMG Europe and worldwide CEO of powerhouse independent label V2 Music Group. And were it not for the calling of the business end of the entertainment industries, his peers consider that a career amusing others may have beckoned.

"He brings a unique mixture of enthusiasm, expertise and eccentricity to all his endeavors," says former colleague and longtime friend Richard Griffiths, now head of Modest Management in London. "Life's never dull with Stephen around."

Q: *Is music publishing still a game for industry veterans or is it evolving?*

A: Publishing is a fantastic mix where the old can benefit from the great catalogs of the past and where the new can create great music for the future. A lot of our classical publishers have been working for their companies for a very long time. It's a long-term commitment for very little reward. Pop business tends to be a bit more ephemeral, everybody wants a quick return. But music has to come to the market recorded to have music on paper. Publishing is enriched by the fact that it takes time, a little bit of money and a lot of encouragement. You'd have to be older, I suppose, to actually understand the complexities.

Q: *Is there money out there that songwriters aren't getting their hands on?*

A: All the societies I speak to—obviously our own MCPS-PRS Alliance—their big selling point is their transparency. I would think that would be the order of the day for all of the

societies going forward. Collecting money is liable to human error. Registering songs is a complicated business. Registering songs with a variety of collecting societies requires a lot of expertise and close attention to detail. There are always possibilities that a song is incorrectly registered, which might mean that the money that was otherwise allocated to that song might end up in some sort of suspense account.

Q: *Although the record business has been banging the drum for a long time, do you think the U.K. government is truly aware of the role of music publishing?*

A: Having been within the bosom of the Department of Culture, Media and Sport, I think it is probably true to say that the message of music publishing was not entirely clear. Part of the plan going forward is that I have to be more mesianic about what publishing is. From within government looking out, I was a big advocate of the industry having a common view, purpose and

focus. Now that I'm here at the MPA, one of the strengths I see is the partnership we have with our composers. As far as I can see going forward, I have to sacrifice myself to ensure the relationship between publishers and recording companies—they are part of the same root and branch.

Q: *What is your vision for the MPA?*

A: My vision is that when people ask me what is music publishing, they will be able to understand very clearly what it is. I have to demystify for the public and government what that is, the importance of it, and why it is not an old Victorian concept run by old men. We want to break down the barriers between the songwriter and the public. The vision is like magnetic north on the compass. We take bearings off that vision and focus in three different areas—toward our members, users and government. I will have to beef up our organization to make sure the message is properly communicated.

Q: *You've been in the job now for about six months. What do you feel are your greatest achievements in that time?*

A: In my original interview, I remember musing on Napoleon's 100 days campaign, from the Island of Elba through to the Battle of Waterloo. I don't think it had been quite as catastrophic after my first 100 days. In achieving the vision, there's an awful lot of important day-to-day work that has to be achieved.

There are still areas where I feel we need to help our members in the business. We are looking at finding ways in which to work with government, whether there may be tax incentives. The education of people, particularly young people, about the industry is key. Not just on the importance of copyright, but training people to be good at business. I think we have a

very important role to play in that, so that those rising entrepreneurs will be both creative and business-orientated at the same time.

Q: *Do the opportunities outweigh the challenges in the music publishing field?*

A: Publishing is all about partnership and relationship. There are so many different models for generating revenues to compensate creators for their work. Whether it's through advertising or subscription revenue or whatever. There's a multiplicity of ways of earning your keep. And we're not that greedy. I don't think publishers are that greedy. I just think there needs to be respect for the music, and that's what we are in the business of.

There will always be challenges. There were challenges from day one. The reason why

this company was set up was because people were copying music and the person who wrote the song wasn't getting value. Is anything different in 2006? Not really. The issues are still the same but the opportunities now are enormous.

Q: *What do you see as the shape of the modern publisher?*

A: The skills that you naturally associate with record companies—whether they were A&R, marketing or selling—to some extent collapse into precisely what a modern publisher might or could be doing. A lot of our publishers have really seen the importance of the online environment to bringing music to the market.

Q: *Which brings us to the MPA's 125th birthday party July 6 in London. What do you have in the works?*

A: The party will be a brilliant moment to punctuate time with a celebration of British music over the last 125 years. We've got a fantastic mountain of talent lined up and I was hoping to add a little cherry on top. We have a few super-wow factors. The Bank of Ireland corporate banking has come onboard as sponsor. Hopefully we'll finish up with everyone singing together "We'll Meet Again" [laughs]. We're celebrating that in 1881, this old Victorian organization was built. In those days, the Victorians built great loo [toilet] pipes. [Civil engineer Sir Joseph] Bazalgette's London pipes were built in those days and are still doing their job now.

In this new age of digital distribution, 125 years later, let's hope our pipes can now be as fresh and full of exciting music as the loo pipes were full of pop in those days. ♦♦♦



TIM & FAITH

**COUNTRY MUSIC'S REIGNING COUPLE BARE
THEIR SOUL2SOUL TOUR A SECOND TIME**



BY RAY WADDELL & TAMARA CONNIEF

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ON THE ROAD



Blazing a trail of hits and high notes, from left: **TIM MCGRAW** and **FAITH HILL** performing in June in New York; two-time winner McGraw at the 2005 American Music Awards last November; the Grammy Award-winning couple with their trophies for best country collaboration with vocals at the 48th annual event in February; Hill onstage on their current Soul2Soul II tour; the guitar-slingin' duo live and in the round.



Shortly before show time,

Tim McGraw and Faith Hill—arguably the king and queen of country music—are backstage at the Bryce Jordan Center in University Park, Pa., on June 21. They joke around and laugh with the crew. The casualness and fun in McGraw and Hill's demeanor belies the hard work they and their teams have put into the Soul2Soul II tour. And the numbers don't lie: This 74-date, 56-city arena is expected to be the highest-grossing country tour of all time during a calendar year—and among the highest-grossing tours of 2006 in any genre. For the week ending June 25, ticket sales passed the 1 million mark, according to organizers. ✨ By the time Hill and McGraw wrap Soul2Soul II in September, they will have shattered Kenny Chesney's single-year country gross record of \$63 million set in 2005, and may even surpass Shania Twain's 2003-04 mark of nearly \$90 million.

Talks for Soul2Soul II began in 2000, while the first outing was still on the road. The first Soul2Soul grossed \$50 million. But Hill, McGraw and their management companies had bigger plans for No. 2.

"We never do anything unless we want it to be the biggest and the best thing out there," McGraw says.

To surpass the success of the first Soul2Soul, some changes had to be made, from the staging of the show to how McGraw's and Hill's management teams worked together.

"It's a completely different tour," McGraw says. "I don't think it has any resemblance at all to the last time we toured, and that's what we wanted."

The key was to view the tour as not only a husband and wife collaboration, but also a marriage of two very different superstar management cultures, one from Nashville and one out of Los Angeles. McGraw is managed by Scott Siman's team at Nashville-based RPM Management, and Hill is managed by Gary Borman's team at Los Angeles-based Borman Entertainment.

"You have two superstar artists who have incredible careers," Borman says. "And you have two different philosophies of how to do things. It really took the experience from 2000 to see how it didn't fit together and for us to create a new philosophy that is neither Tim's nor Faith's."

According to Siman, each team brings its own strengths to the party. "It never hurts to see how somebody else is doing things and what their view of it is," he says. "We shared a common goal of making this the biggest tour it can be."

While the two teams did not exactly have a "culture clash" in

2000, there were some bumps in the road. "But when you live in your little bubble you think everyone does it the same way you do it," Borman explains. "Until you actually interact with someone in this kind of dynamic, you don't realize there are 100 different approaches to a career. We knew we had to create a third culture, and I think we've been very successful at doing that."

McGraw says it was key to build a crew neutral to both camps.

"We each have our teams," McGraw says. "The challenge was to find people and crews that weren't part of either team who could come on and be the independent crews. The biggest challenge was trying to find the right people to fill those positions . . . It was a conscious effort to bring in an overall tour manager, because we each have one. You certainly don't want to go back and forth between each other's people trying to get different decisions."

Co-headlining tours are always complicated. Even though Hill and McGraw have been married for 10 years, their careers are handled separately.

"Them being a celebrity couple brings a certain energy that neither one can attain on their own," says John Huie, Hill's agent at Creative Artists Agency (CAA). "I think they're cognizant of it and are smart about how they manage their lives on and off the stage."

THE ROAD TO SOUL2SOUL

"This tour has been talked about since we toured last time," McGraw says. "We've laid in bed at night for six years talking about what we would do and how we would do it."

For McGraw and Hill, how the show was staged and designed was a high priority. "We wanted to do it in the round because

we felt like it was a different experience," McGraw says. "It brings us closer to the audience."

Why six years? Borman says both artists were very active with other projects including films, albums and, in McGraw's case, touring. The couple's growing family threw another wrinkle into planning.

"That's a lot of moving parts, from family issues to professional issues," Borman says.

Serious planning and routing began 18 months out. "I think many people don't realize just how hard it is to do something at this level, you can't just start six months out," Siman says. "What happens when you give yourself less time is you give yourself less options. You want to make sure you get the right buildings, you get the right production and opportunity to get it manufactured, all those kinds of things take time."

Hill's and McGraw's agents work at CAA's Nashville office—veterans Rod Essig (McGraw) and Huie (Hill)—but the entire CAA Nashville team worked on the tour.

"It's really cohesive," Huie says. "Between Rod, myself and [CAA agents] Darrin Murphy and Marc Dennis, we each have a quadrant of the country, and we route based on territory. Neither one of us view it as a Tim McGraw or Faith Hill tour, it's the Soul2Soul tour. These two people are joined at the souls."

FAMILY AFFAIR

Family is a priority for McGraw and Hill. Soul2Soul II was designed around their daughters' school schedules, so dates were booked only on weekends until school was out for summer.

"They're great parents," Essig says. "When we started in April, the rule was the kids get out of school, get on a jet, and we can't be farther than two hours by jet for the first show."

The tour route does not include Canada or any international markets, though the demand is strong. Had they toured in these markets as well, the tour gross would be even larger.

"Could we do bigger numbers? Yeah, we could, but basically we have a time frame we could work in," Siman says. "Family was always the priority."

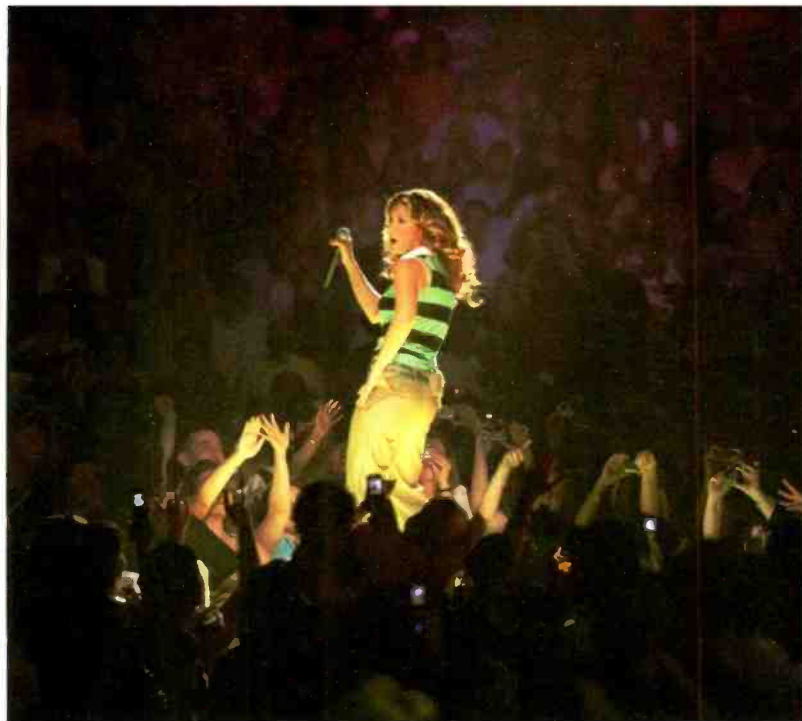
The artists also made their bands' families a priority. Because the tour had such planning, McGraw and Hill could arrange for a "family bus" to accommodate visitors on the road.

"It's like a rolling barbecue," McGraw says.

THREE AUDIENCES

While many tours strive for synergistic packaging, few achieve the true "one-plus-one-equals-three" result. But the Hill/McGraw union draws three unique audiences: McGraw fans, Hill fans and those who relish them together.

"What I think is really cool about this tour is it's bringing different fans together," says Brian O'Connell, president of country touring for Live Nation. "It's not your traditional show with



three acts and a cloud of dust. It's a full two-and-a-half hours of the best of Tim McGraw, the best of Faith Hill and the best of the two of them together."

Management has long recognized this potential. "We've always viewed Tim and Faith as having three careers: Tim's career, Faith's career and then there's the one together," Siman observes.

FEEL THE HEAT

Presales and initial public on-sales indicated serious heat for the tour. "We saw early on some of the presales were huge numbers, better than we'd ever done before, better than most people had ever done before," Siman says. "That gave us a pretty good idea we had a winning package."

As the sales progressed, the tour rang up double-plays in 11 markets and, remarkably, triples in Chicago, Los Angeles and Las Vegas. The 60 dates initially planned turned into 74.

"We knew from the word go it would be big," Essig says. "But the multiples are bigger than I expected. When you can play three Staples Centers [in Los Angeles], two Madison Square Gardens [in New York] and on and on, that's a lot of people. There are a number of cities we have not played because we didn't have any more time."

The artists made an effort to play for the promoters and buildings who hosted the first Soul2Soul tour. "Tim and Faith are extremely loyal, so the people who played them six years ago got the play this run," Essig says. That means independent pro-

motors like Jam, G.A.M.E., Fantasma, Beaver and Outback got the nod in their respective markets.

Borman Entertainment VP Joni Foraker notes, "In a lot of cases they are co-promotes. Live Nation has a chunk of dates, AEG Live has a chunk of dates, and we tried to be true to everybody."

The approach is appreciated by independents in these days when national tour promotions are common. "They supported all the people that supported them in the past," says Jam co-president Army Granat, who promoted the Chicago sellouts.

THE SHOW

At Live Nation, which promotes or co-promotes 38 shows, O'Connell says the show's look and production elements are drawing almost as much acclaim as the performances.

"They spent so much time designing this show, it's one of the biggest shows I've ever seen in terms of the set and everything else," O'Connell says. "No matter where you sit in the arena, the presence they have with this set is they're everywhere. They work the entire stage and it's aesthetically gorgeous to look at."

The set was designed by Roy Bennett, "along with an awful lot of input from Tim and Faith," Foraker says.

"The only challenge is trying to cram enough music from each artist into the slot," she says. "They both have so many hits, and you only have room for so much, so you have to take a sampling of what you think is the best representation of each artist."

Borman adds, "You have a husband and a wife who have a built-in advantage in that it brings a whole other element of emotion and message to the mix."

As the tour passes its midway point, the team is knocking down five shows a week and running at high gear. "It's so much different from 2000, which was crazy," Borman says. "We really took what we learned in 2000 and put it to good use in 2006, and at least internally we're seeing the benefits of that. This is a real harmonic experience for us—as it is onstage, it is behind the stage."

As for the record-shattering numbers, McGraw is surprised but confident. "You never know what people are going to want to listen to this year or the next year," McGraw says. "All you can do is go with what you want and hope a lot of people agree with you."

SOUL2SOUL III?

With so many markets untapped, it's clear there are more Soul2Soul plays left on the table. "We realize there is more demand than we could imagine and there's talk about doing things again next year, maybe a little differently," Borman says.

However, Borman adds that one reason the tour is so successful is because McGraw and Hill have such strong solo careers. "Each of the artists individually is so strong," he says. "We can't give that up."

McGraw is game for III. "We love doing it, I'm sure we'd love to tour together again," he says. "We're still young." ■■■

FAITH HILL TALKS LIFE

Mother, wife, Cover Girl, country superstar, actress—now Hill can add touring phenomenon to her bio. As Soul2Soul II marches toward becoming the biggest calendar year country tour of all time, Hill's focus remains on her family and her fans.

Q: How do you feel about the success of the tour?

A: It's pretty exciting to say the least.

Q: What guidelines did you give management?

A: The management companies know there are strict guidelines on how Tim and I tour, especially together. I think that's one of the reasons why it took six years. We worked the tour around the girls' school schedules, which is very, very difficult. It went through

many, many stages before it was workable.

Q: Has family played a big role on this trek?

A: We were able to plan for a family bus to come out for some of the band's family, our family and other people on the road so family can come out and travel with us. The only reason that's been able to happen is because we planned the tour so far in advance. That was a priority for us. It's made it like a traveling concert family reunion.

Q: Why did you want to make changes from the last tour?

A: Soul2Soul was a great success then, but knowing that we were going to do it again, we really wanted to make changes on every level. The biggest was trying to offer an experience in the round—something our fans had never seen and we had never experienced before. We wanted to try to get closer to the fans and give them a different kind of show.

Q: How long have you been planning Soul2Soul II?

A: The preparation has been years in the making. It's not something we just decided a few months ago. Tim and I started talking about

this before the last tour ended. It takes a lot to put this type of show on. It's a fun show, and it's fun for everyone out on the road. You've got 144 people out there. It's nice to say that we are all enjoying it.

Q: How did your respective management teams work together?

A: Tim and I have been together for close to 11 years now, we've been married for 10, and we've had different management companies that entire time. Over the course of working together during that amount of time, you learn to work with people. That's one thing we said getting into this, that it was just going to have to be a massive team effort. But I have to say our management companies have been unbelievable and brilliant in working together. They got into one room and just worked it all out . . . Otherwise it wouldn't have worked. ■■■

READING THE

Like Malcolm Gladwell's "The Tipping Point" or Steven Levitt and Stephen Dubner's "Freakonomics," Wired editor-in-chief Chris Anderson's "The Long Tail"—released July 11—is a book comfortably propped at the junction of economic theory and pop culture. To understand the theory's name, imagine every album ever released as data points on a graph. The hits are represented by spectacular spikes. And to their left, in descending order, is everything else. The numbers keep dropping, but they stretch on, seemingly forever—the Long Tail. The theory sounds simple: Give consumers more choice, and they will indulge in the options. But impressed upon a media world in transitional chaos, that means industries grappling with diminishing blockbusters and niche purchases that, in aggregate, yield staggering revenue. Anderson first published his research in *Wired* in September 2004. Since then, via his blog, longtail.com, he has applied Long Tail economics to everything from kitchen appliances to beer. As he asks in his book, what happens when everything in the world becomes available to everyone?

In the conversation below, Anderson speaks to the origins of the theory, the value of blogs and how a music business built on hits must learn to love little successes.

The Long Tail has existed as a statistical theory before you wrote about it, but you certainly put it together in such a way and at such a time that it's as if you created it yourself. How did you first come to the idea?

I spend a lot of time just talking to people, collecting data, trying to understand how to prove what I believe are the ascendant technology trends in the world. It was in the course of preparing a series of speeches that I first came across the Long Tail as a data phenomenon. I fleshed it out and looked for similarities in other companies and articulated it. So that was a research project that took me through most of 2004. And the article came out in the October issue in September 2004, and became the most cited article *Wired's* ever done. I knew then that I was onto something.

You've blogged on the topic almost from the time the article came out. Why? And how did this affect the process of putting together and ultimately promoting the book?

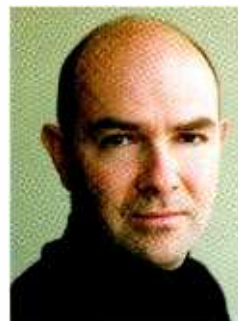
The article came out in September 2004, and the book was going to come out in July 2006. It just felt so unnatural to go quiet. So I end up with three reasons for going to the blog. The first reason was to continue the conversation. I talk about that in the book—meeting the meme, cultivating conversation. Not policing the conversation, but to be Long Tail central—the one place you could go to collect all this.

The second was that through the course of research as I put data out there, I could find resonances in places I didn't know anything about—industries, beer, travel, soccer, whatever. It was the notion of blogging my observations and data—half-baked ideas—and then having this audience that got the subject bake the ideas for me and enhance my own thinking.

The third reason to do this is that I figured that if I continued to curate the conversation and have a collaborative work with these readers that when time came to publish the book it would be a fantastic marketing vehicle. I had a built-in audience who both knew the book was coming and knew what it was about. [I have] a presentation on this using Google trend data. Long Tail trend searches peaked when the article came out, then went back down. And then when the blog was launched, they went back up, and now the searches today are higher than when the article came out.

You spoke at the Alternative Distribution Alliance's "Declaration of Independence" conference in Philadelphia in mid-June. What were the best questions you heard from the music business about the Long Tail?

Everybody could see pretty clearly what needed to be done. People are trying to figure out how to value the archives. Right now the backlist is estimated at a certain number based on the distribution channels. And as you



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—CHRIS ANDERSON

know, back catalog is very popular, especially in any format change, because people repopulate their library.

One of the questions was, "Is the very strong back catalog presence on these Long Tail markets an artifact of the early adopters or is that the static shape?" I looked at the Head/Tail ratio over time for Rhapsody . . . and the niches became a bigger part going forward.

You cite Rhapsody data in your book but not iTunes. Were you able to see Long Tail trends in per-track purchases?

Rhapsody not only has a streaming service, they also have a pay-per-track service. I couldn't publish those numbers, but I could get them to calibrate the curve. It turned out there were no gross distortions. There are many times more streams than there are downloads, but the curve [the ratio of hits to non-hits] isn't shaped differently.

I put some data up a couple days ago on the blog that gives the percentage of sales accounted for by the top 100 artists in Wal-Mart, iTunes and in peer-to-peer networks [based on BigChampagne data]. And all the Long Tail markets are much less hit-centric than Wal-Mart, but iTunes is more hit-centric than Rhapsody. If Rhapsody is 40% Tail, iTunes might be 30% Tail or 25% Tail. And those numbers will vary from market to market, but the point is the Tail is growing.

In spending so much time thinking about the business of music, did you come up with some ideas for what could be improved?

Artists are great at adapting to change. Consumers are great at adapting to change. There has never been a better time to be a musician or to be a music consumer. You have more supply and you've got more demand. The only problem is in the middle. If you've got more supply and more demand then that's simply an opportunity for someone to be smart about connecting it.

One of the things that I focused on and learned about is how really bad the metadata for music is. The data you see is the fields you find on iTunes—

RIDING THE TAIL BIRDMONSTER

San Francisco-based quartet Birdmonster had a front-seat view as much of the Long Tail was being contemplated by *Wired* magazine editor-in-chief Chris Anderson: Frontman Peter Arcuni is Anderson's assistant.

"He was just picking my brain the whole time I was there," Arcuni says. "He wanted to know the perspective of a young person starting out—how I thought things were. I would tell him the stuff I learned from being in the band and doing stuff on MySpace and what grass-roots Internet PR is like for a young band."

Arcuni has since left his job to pursue his rock-star dreams full time, but Anderson clearly harbors no ill feelings about the departure. Birdmonster is name-checked with its own little section in the book version of the Long Tail; Anderson cites the band's ingenuity in booking gigs for itself by searching the Web for "TBA" and convincing venues that Birdmonster should fill its to-be-announced bookings. In addition, the book details the band's decision—so far—to avoid signing with a label.

"We're not pro-label or anti-label," guitarist David Klein says.

"If we find a label that feels like a home for us, we're not opposed to that, but we worked our butts off in day jobs to record this album, and we're keeping things close to home for now."

The band's full-length debut, "No Midnight," has become the latest toast of the blogger community. And while the band's indie cred helps, its success is probably more due to slices of pop perfection like the song "Cause You Can." A sharp guitar line flirts with chaos, swinging its way around the song's dance-floor rhythm. Arcuni struggles to keep his emotions in check, singing about the "skirt, folded high" of the "little thing" that has his heart racing.

Birdmonster has toured with Art Brut and Clap Your Hands Say Yeah and has its sight set on securing distribution before finding a label (contact: David Klein, birdmonster@gmail.com).

Arcuni says he and his bandmates even discussed Long Tail theory occasionally. "It wasn't an overly conscious effort," Arcuni says. "[The music business] is constantly changing. Now is the time to see some bands come to the table. Try different things and see where it takes you. You don't necessarily have to sign yourself up to a long-term commitment off the bat. We're not anti-record labels, by any means. We're just the kind of people who know what we can accomplish." ♦♦♦ —Todd Martens



BIRDMONSTER members, from left, DAVID KLEIN, ZACH WINTER, PETER ARCUNI and JUSTIN TENUTO

TAIL

The Buzz Economic Theory Is Coming Out In Book Form. Bill Werde Sneaks A Peek And Sits Down With Author Chris Anderson

artist, label, album, the bare minimum. But you want so much more.

IMDB [Web site Internet Movie Database] has loads of metadata fields, many of them user-generated. Where is the music equivalent? Where is Wiki-music?

All Music Guide does that to some extent. But why is it not integrated into the [digital music] services?

If I want to dive into the D.C. punk scene from 1982, it's not easy to do. In this case there is a label, Dischord, that would allow me to do that on some level. But it's hard for me to get the timing right, to focus on the ones who were just in D.C. The story of classical music is just as tragic. All the metadata fields in a MP3 player are set up for pop. Your average MP3 player doesn't have a field for composer or conductor or for first violin. Jazz? Likewise. Why can't I click on the bass player's name and see all the bands he's been in?

It's all those things that need to be done to really help people, to cut and slice and reconfigure this world to suit their own taste.

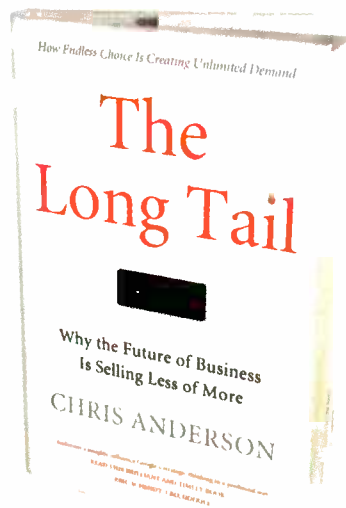
A lot of people in the business are realizing the importance of this. But wouldn't it be really expensive to populate that sort of information infrastructure?

I would not spend a penny to create the metadata. I would enable fans to create the metadata. So if you're Rhapsody or iTunes, set up a little field. It's going to clutter your interface a little, but let's say you can accept that. Here's the official data, and then there's this little field that has prepopulated metadata fields that are not part of the original set. You can freak out about what might happen if it's wrong or have very complicated Wikipedia-like rules and voting. But there's that saying, "Don't make the best the enemy of good." Just put it up and see how it goes.

I don't think there's a magic formula. One size doesn't fit all, not just in terms of content but also the way you sell it and the way you package it and the way you market it. The only smart thing to do right now is to find cheap ways to experiment. •••

BOOK EXCERPT

DOES A LONGER TAIL MEAN A SHORTER HEAD?



"The Long Tail" makes the case that the future of many industries—music, books, film and countless others—may depend on recognizing that a whole lot of small success stories may be just as important as a few really big ones. For entertainment industries built on the blockbuster, that may be a tough pill to swallow. But as Anderson details in the excerpt below (with a little help from Nielsen SoundScan) the new media consumer isn't your grandfather's—and possibly not your dad's, your brother's or even your son's, depending on your generation—customer.

One of the main questions that came up as I got deeper into quantifying Long Tail markets was about the effect of increased variety on the overall shape of the demand curve. As aggregators are able to carry more and more products, lengthening their Tail, will the relatively few hits at the Head sell less? More? The same?

There are three aspects of the Long Tail that have the effect of shifting demand down the Tail, from hits to niches. The first is the availability of greater variety. If you offer people a choice of 10 things, they will choose one of the 10. If you offer them a thousand things, demand will be less concentrated in the top 10.

The second is the lower "search costs" of finding what you want, which range from actual search to recommendations and other filters. Finally, there is sampling, from the ability to hear 30 seconds of a song for free to the ability to read a

portion of a book online. This tends to lower the risk of purchasing, encouraging consumers to venture farther into the unknown.

There are several ways to try to quantify this with hard data. One is to compare a market that offers relatively limited variety with one that offers much more variety of the same sort of products. Another is to track a Long Tail aggregator/retailer over time, watching what happens as its inventory grows. Yet another would be to just look at the effect of lowered search costs online, making an apples-to-apples comparison with a similar offline inventory.

A 2005 study by a team at MIT led by Erik Brynjolfsson, who did some of the early work at Amazon's Long Tail inventory, looked at this effect at a women's clothing retailer. The company has a catalog business and an online business, both of which offer the exact same inventory and prices. The difference is that online, it has search, easy browsing of both products and variations of those products, and ways to organize the offerings using "rank by" filters.

The result was that consumers—even those that shopped in both the catalog and online—tended to buy farther down the Tail online. The bottom 80% of products accounted for 15.7% of catalog sales, but 28.8% of online sales. Or to switch it around and see

it from the top 20% perspective, the catalog exhibited an 84/20 rule, while the online site was closer to 71/20.

That's the effect of lowered search costs for the same inventory. To measure the effect of different inventories—one much larger than the other—we worked to construct an apples-to-apples comparison between a retailer with limited shelf space and one with unlimited shelf space. In practice, that means comparing a bricks-and-mortar store with an online one selling or renting the same things. We decided to use entertainment examples because the online markets were mature enough to measure with confidence and the data was available. We looked at both music and DVDs.

Rather than pick a single bricks-and-mortar retailer, we used industry-wide data compiled by Nielsen divisions—SoundScan for music and DVDScan for movies. We compared that with online data from Rhapsody and Netflix, respectively.

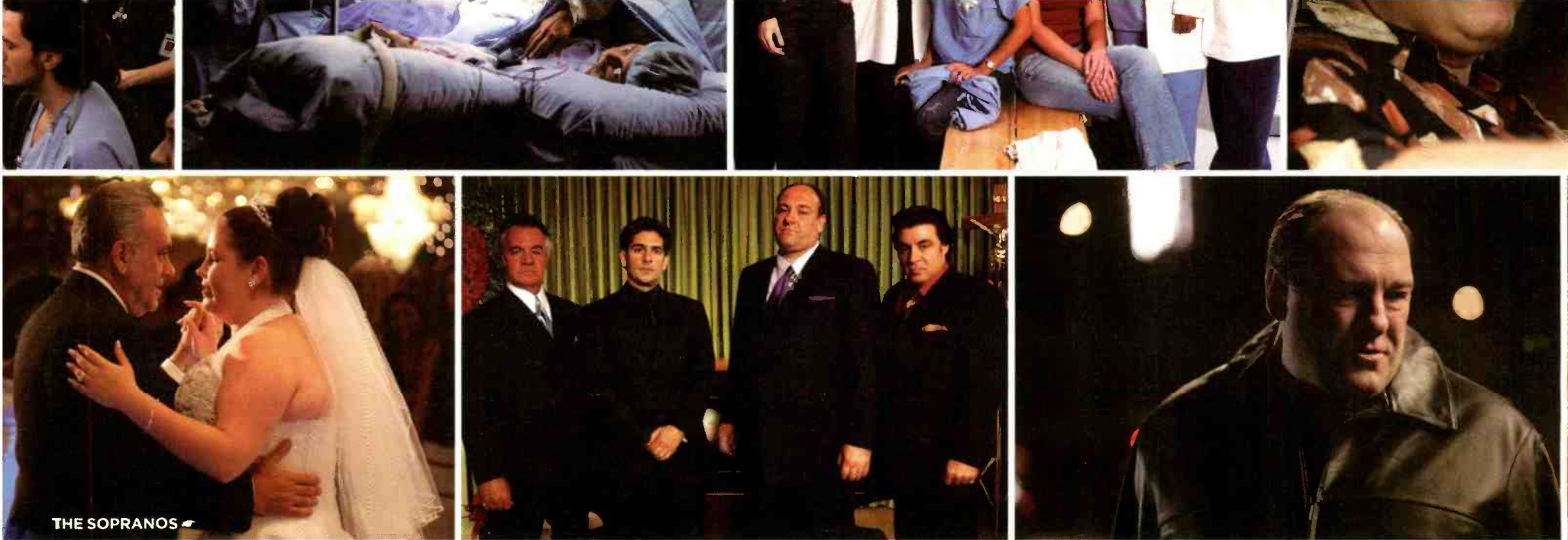
(There are several corrections required to do these comparisons properly. In music we had to find a way to compare album sales offline with track sales online, and then from individual sales to streams under a subscription plan. In DVDs it was a matter of comparing sales and single-copy rental data offline with subscription rental online. Although the methodologies are beyond the scope of this book, they broadly revolve around using other data sets, such as pay-per-track online sales, to calibrate the curves and eliminate as many systematic biases as we could.)

After the corrections, the results were striking: The online demand curve is much flatter. The average niche music album title—those beyond the top 1,000—sold about twice as well online than offline. And the average niche DVD—again those beyond the top 1,000—was three times as popular online as it was offline.

Another way to look at this is to see how much less dominated the online market is by the top hits. Here's the data for music. Offline, in bricks-and-mortar retailers, the top 1,000 albums make up nearly 80% of the total market. (Indeed, in a typical big-box retailer, which carries just a fraction of available CDs, the top 100 albums can account for more than 90% of the sales.) By contrast, online that same top 1,000 accounts for less than a third of the market. Seen another way, a full half of the online market is made up of albums beyond the top 5,000. •••

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I Want My Mobile TV

AS TV EMBRACES THE DOWNLOAD, LABELS AND PUBLISHERS WORK TO CLEAR MUSIC IN A NEW-MEDIA CLIMATE
BY MELINDA NEWMAN

LOS ANGELES—It's a brave new world for licensing music for TV shows. Unfortunately, it doesn't come with instructions.

The number of TV shows available on iTunes has swelled from five titles to 100 during the last six months. And possibilities for playing episodes over cell phones have everyone's heads spinning.

At question is how to compensate copyright holders for digital and mobile usage for the music featured in these TV programs.

Ellen Ginsburg, VP of music clearance for film and TV at Fox Music, remembers asking a music publisher several months ago how much it would cost to clear all the usual rights plus new digital rights. The publisher replied: "We'll probably just take you to the cleaners for the first year until we can figure out what we're doing, and then we'll be more in line with reality."

"It's a new era for us," says Gay DiFusco, VP of music clearance and licensing for Warner Bros. Television Production.

Everyone is eager to get their piece of the new pie without having any idea what a slice is worth. Music supervisors and clearance companies say studios are paying copyright holders—primarily publishers and record labels—between 15% and 50% more when they include all digital media on top of existing rights.

While everyone waits for the dust to settle, industry experts say they see trends emerging:

- Studio contracts are changing to "all media excluding theatrical" usage as mandatory instead of as an option.
- Contracts are forgoing the five-year option and going straight to perpetuity rights.
- Contracts are frequently making the term "all media, now known and hereafter devised" mandatory, so negotiations don't have to occur with each new technology platform.

While some publishing companies say their prices are going up to compensate for added rights, others say they are getting squeezed to provide the rights for less money.

"Publishers are crying because we're asking for more and wanting it for less . . . At some point there will be a call to arms," says Wende Crowley, a music supervisor for "Cold Case" and "The Loop," who just segued to Sony/ATV as senior director of film/TV.

But, she stresses, despite some tough negotiations, most studios don't expect these rights for free. "For 'Cold Case,' we know our fees are going to jump 10%-15% to make up for the rights we're asking, so it's not like we want everything [for free]," Crowley says. "We just don't want to be reamed on it."

"Cold Case," with up to 12 needle drops per episode, is one of

TV's most music-intensive shows. Similarly, "The Sopranos" and "Entourage" routinely use 10-12 songs.

Shows want few surprises from licensors, says Pat Lucas, executive VP/GM of EMI Music Publishing's film soundtrack division. "When the producers decided they needed to get digital rights, they never bothered to tell the music supervisors. So we got greeted with gasps when we told them they had to pay for them."

To decrease the shock value, EMI is setting up a per-season price structure that spells out licensing ranges. "We give low- and high-ball figures for things like 'Over the Rainbow' versus [music from] a new band from Sweden," Lucas says, adding that if sales explode in digital formats, "we can say we need to boost up" rates for future clearances.

One licensing source says the average cost to obtain a synch license from a publisher is now between \$15,000 and \$25,000, up from an average of \$17,000-\$20,000 pre-digital. (The same amount usually also goes to the record company to license the master.) But clearance for a song by a major artist can soar into six figures, while usage for an unknown act can be as little as \$500. Often, it costs more to license a track for TV than for a film.

Music budgets can be as high as hundreds of thousands of dollars per episode for a music-intensive show that uses selections from top artists.

THE NEW DEALS

Music supervisors have a new mantra: all media excluding theatrical (AMXT). While not a new term, this right is becoming the standard for many contracts. In the past, usage has been per platform: a certain amount for when the show airs on basic TV or cable, when it airs internationally, etc.

But as was evident with home video, not having preclearance to use songs when the TV series comes out on DVD has led to replacing songs if it is too expensive to get the tracks. Crowley says she "ripped out" the music for seasons four and five of "Northern Exposure," replacing it with music library tracks at between \$1,000 and \$1,200 a pop. In many cases, AMXT clauses would eliminate the need to replace music because all usages are precleared.

Many of these new rules strike fear in the hearts of copyright holders who sometimes refuse such rights. One publishing exec is very reluctant to sign AMXT deals, while a record company exec feels they make life easier.

"AMXT makes perfect sense for all involved. The publishers and





master holders don't want to go through every little usage. They want to get as much done upfront," says Jonathan McHugh, VP of creative development for Zomba Label Group. "But they don't want to give away the farm."

Warner Bros. is going to AMXT with the 2006-07 TV season, says DiFusco, who oversees music usage for 28 shows, including "Gilmore Girls," "The OC" and "Cold Case." "We need to have as broad a right as possible to distribute and to take advantage of technologies to grow our viewership," she says.

While AMXT is one of the biggest changes, some contracts are also being amended for all rights in perpetuity.

"Five-year quotes are on the way out," says Evan Greenspan, head of music licensing firm EMG Music Services, which clears music for HBO's shows, including "Entourage" and "The Sopranos."

The remaining exception is shows in their first year. Since the odds of any series succeeding is slim, like most studios, at Warner Bros., "We're not going to perpetuity for all our first-year shows unless we think it's going to be a hit right out of the box," DiFusco says. "But it will be all [AMXT] and we have an option to extend to perpetuity. When we have a second year, we'd go into perpetuity."

While Mark Pinkus, senior VP of strategic marketing, custom products and synch licensing for Rhino Entertainment, stresses that parent company Warner Music Group makes a variety of deals, he has no problem signing perpetuity pacts: "If they have plans to make 'My Name Is Earl' available for the next 100 years, we're fine attaching our music to it. The only thing we're adamant about is being compensated."

The third change is clearance for platforms not yet created.

Greenspan credits Peter DiCecco, Disney/ABC senior VP of business and legal affairs for music, with including "all media now known and hereafter developed" as obligatory language in contracts, starting with "Desperate Housewives" and "Lost."

"That is really new," Greenspan says, adding he saw it for the first time last year. "2005 was the breaking point. Disney knew something was coming and they said we can't have platform-limited licenses and having publishers coming back to us every time, so they said, 'We want to pay for all media, now known and hereafter devised, so we can put your music in our shows, so we can grow our business.'"

Plus, the term keeps show producers from constantly playing catch-up: "HBO, ABC, NBC are asking us to go back on shows that

were done years ago and expand those rights so it's available for wireless and handheld devices," Greenspan says. DiCecco declined to be interviewed.

Simply put, copyright holders who won't play along may get pushed to the side. "We can't afford the rising costs of music," one studio exec says. "We don't want to start cutting down the amount of music we use, but if the costs continue to go up, those decisions have to be made. We have to have a product that has to be free and clear."

The Chop Shop's Alexandra Patsavas, who serves as music supervisor for such shows as "The OC" and "Grey's Anatomy," says the cost of clearing the new rights may affect the song selection. "Producers really do put aside money for the amount of songs they want. If the show calls for seven cues, we find seven cues," she says. "It just may not be the seven cues we'd get before. There may be shifts around the expectations for the song."

Greenspan says many copyright holders are agreeing to the new usages, but are very quiet about it. "For years, publishers and labels withheld rights for future media and just wanted to do 'now known,' but now that the door is open on future media they don't want it to appear they've knuckled under," he says.

While cell phones technically count as a "media now known," clearance is still an issue. "The phone is the one thing licensors are a little careful about," Zomba's McHugh says. "If it's in the context of the whole program, [we're] OK with that, but if they're chopping it up, licensors are not going to want to do that." For example, some "mobisodes" are condensed from original TV episodes instead of created anew and licensors often consider that a new production as opposed to one covered by existing rights.

EXPOSURE PLUS MONEY

Often, it comes down to who needs the placement more when it comes to signing away rights. In many ways, the shows have the power because so many acts are clamoring to have their music used. The sustained hit the music industry has taken from decreased album sales and Internet piracy further weakens negotiating clout for publishers and labels.

Plus, exposure garnered for artists—"Grey's Anatomy" is credited with breathing new life into Anna Nalick's album—can lead to sales down the road. Therefore, labels and publishers are often willing to accept less money for greater exposure.

"[TV play] can turn a record around," McHugh says. "The TV shows weigh in as heavily as radio. It's not only about revenue." He adds that such thinking can often lead to interesting discussions at labels between the marketing team, which is looking for opportunities for exposure, and licensing execs, who are looking for revenue. "If I have a new band, I'm not going to give it away, but I'm going to let you give me every usage you can give me so I can leverage it marketing-wise. Money is secondary."

As Lucas says, "If it's a new band like Kasabian or Bloc Party, then sure, we'll give [the studio] the low-end of the fee, but David Bowie is still David Bowie."

That willingness to bargain is making some independent publishers a little queasy since they often don't have the leverage the major publishers do. "The specific fee may be \$15,000-\$20,000 for a complete buyout, but [TV shows] are trying to get that down to \$7,500 [and] they're asking for more usages," says John Anderson, senior VP of film and TV music/lifestyle at Windswept Pacific. He's feeling the pressure even on classics. For example, Windswept would generally get \$25,000 as a synch fee for "What a Wonderful World," which it co-owns, but that has now shrunk to around \$17,500. "They're drawing the line," Anderson says of the studios.

THE GREAT UNKNOWN

Studios say they are trying to hold down music budgets because it is too early to know if the digital revolution will lead to increased overall viewership and sales. Will people still buy series' on DVD or switch to downloading individual episodes at \$1.99 a pop? "It may make us less money for all we know," DiFusco says of episode downloading.

"No one seems to know what [digital usage] is worth," Lucas says. "It's a guessing game."

Fox's Ginsburg puts it in simple terms: "People may be downloading [a show] on iTunes, but they're not buying it on VHS anymore. The publishers and labels feel you're making more money so [they] should, but the truth of the matter is we're losing other sides of the market. There are only so many buyers out there."

No matter what side of the debate, everyone involved believes compromises will be reached. "We want exactly the same thing the labels and publishers want," Ginsburg says. "Absolutely, we'll find some common ground."



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D I A L I N G D E F O R D O L L A R S

By Steve McClure
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SELLING 50 MILLION SINGLES IN 18 MONTHS IS NO mean feat. ■ That's how many individual tracks were sold via the Chaku-uta Full mobile phone-based music-download service from Japanese telecom operator KDDI between its November 2004 launch and May 2006. ■ Although exact figures aren't available, it's safe to say that none of Japan's computer-based download services come close to matching Chaku-uta Full's sales tally. ■ Mobile phones are overwhelmingly the digital-download medium of choice for Japanese consumers and will likely remain so as new music services and bigger capacity handsets are launched during the next several months. ■ Meanwhile, Japan's three major telecoms—NTT DoCoMo, KDDI and Vodafone—along with such companies as Apple, Microsoft and Softbank are forging alliances and jockeying for position in the rapidly growing mobile-music market. **continued on >>p36**

Mobile Phones Thrive As Japan's Dominant Medium For Digital Music
Also Inside: Acts Pop With Anime



A streaming live broadcast from Warner Music artist AYAKA was featured in May by three mobile phone carriers.



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Revenue from mobile-music applications—including full-length tracks, polyphonic ringtones, master ringtones and other related content—totaled 10.9 billion yen (\$97 million) in the first quarter of 2006, up 63% from the first quarter of 2005, according to the Recording Industry Assn. of Japan.

The value of computer-based download sales by the RIAJ's 42 member companies during the January-March quarter totaled 1.2 billion yen (\$10.8 million), a rise of 293% over the previous year.

Mobile phone-based music applications thus account for roughly 90% of Japan's digital-music market.

Helping power Japan's mobile-music boom is a plethora of new music services aimed at mobile-phone users.

One service that got a lot of attention when it was introduced last December by KDDI and Warner Music Japan is WAMO Pack, billed as the world's first "mobile music bundle," comprising audio, video, graphic and textual products in a single, downloadable file. The service's initial offering was a package featuring vocalist Sean Paul.

Also offering bundled content for mobile users is Universal Music Japan with its Chaku-uta Full plus image service, which features master ringtone and full-track versions of songs along with artists' images. UMJ launched the service with a selection of Bon Jovi's greatest hits and photos taken during the band's most recent Japan tour.

"I believe this product will be able to show new possibilities for our music business," says Ryo Miyamae, senior manager of Universal Music Mobile Japan.

"Technology will continue to give us opportunities to create new products," he says.

Warner Music Asia Pacific president Lachie Rutherford says bundling is an example of how mobile phones are more than just another distribution channel for music.

"With bundling, you can [offer] 100 different product lines from just one artist," Rutherford says.

This new way of packaging and marketing content has major implications for the music industry, he adds.

"The liberating factor for the music business is the 'unbundling' of the album [into single downloadable tracks]," Rutherford says. "This changes the way we do business."

WMJ made some more news in the mobile-music sector when a May 26 concert by teenage singer/songwriter Ayaka—one of the label's bright new hopes—could be seen as a streaming live broadcast on three major mobile carriers. One song from the concert was made available for download immediately after the show.

Another new service launched in December is free radio-by-mobile from Tokyo-based radio network Nippon Cultural Broadcasting. Jointly developed with information content developer Frontmedia, the service—billed as the first of its kind in Japan—allows users to download music programs (including commercials) from its Web site and play them back on their handsets.

In April, Tokyo-based cable-radio operator Usen and NTT DoCoMo launched a mobile-based streaming audio and video service called Docodemo Usen consisting of various music programs offered by Usen.

Users can access online services selling ringtone and

master ringtone versions of the song currently being played by clicking an icon next to the song's title. They can also save information about the song so that they can access the stores later.

One of the most significant developments in Japan's mobile-music sector came in May when KDDI became the country's first telecom to launch a Web site featuring full-length tracks and master ringtones that can be downloaded onto personal computers. The move was seen as yet another sign of KDDI's commanding position in the Japanese mobile-music business.

Users of KDDI's new Lismo service can transfer downloaded tracks from their computers to mobile phones designed to be used with the service. The au Music Port software package that comes with Lismo phones enables users to copy songs from CDs and manage their song library as well as videos, photos, calendar and e-mail.

And Lismo's au Music Player has Global Positioning System technology to let users know what other people using the service within a radius of a few miles are listening to, reinforcing the sense of community that's so important for mobile users.

Could Japan eventually develop the mobile-music platform to threaten the iPod's digital-music dominance? Right now, the services in Japan are targeting different demographics, observers say.

"While most Japanese iPod users are in their late 20s and 30s, KDDI seems to be targeting teenagers first, most of whom are learning about non-ringtone digital music for the first time, know little of file sharing and don't have \$300 to spend on a dedicated music player," says Steve Myers, president of Theta Music Technologies, a Tokyo-based software developer.

Myers says he expects KDDI to actively court this group in its promotional campaigns during the next few months.

May saw a flurry of activity on the mobile-music front in Japan, starting with the announcement by DoCoMo and Microsoft on May 10 of a collaboration that paved the way for the June 7 launch of DoCoMo's own mobile-based music-download service. Two new handsets being introduced by DoCoMo this summer will support Microsoft's Windows Media Audio and Windows Media Digital Rights Management 10 for portable devices. That will allow users to play music downloaded to a computer from more than 100 online music sites.

Among the new handsets coming from DoCoMo is the NEC N902iX High-Speed, the first mobile phone in Japan to feature high-speed downlink packet access, with transfer

speeds of up to 3.6MB per second—about 10 times as fast as currently available FOMA handsets.

Content providers have been quick to introduce services aimed at users of the new generation of high-capacity handsets. For example, music trade paper/music chart compiler Oricon is launching a mobile-based album-download service on DoCoMo's upcoming "Music Channel" this summer and will be available on the FOMA N902iX High-Speed handset. Users will pay 300 yen (\$2.67) to download all of a CD's tracks, which they can listen to for a week before it expires.

It remains to be seen whether Japanese mobile users will go for a subscription-based music-download service such as Napster, although there are already many subscription-based services in the mobile sector. Tower Records Japan, now partly owned by DoCoMo, launched Napster Japan in November.

"DoCoMo has been falling behind [rival telecom KDDI] in terms of music services," one industry source adds. "And Tower Records Japan must have thought that

it should do something to compete with iTunes and other download services."

The next hot news on the Japanese mobile-music scene was a report in the influential Nihon Keizai Shimbun economic daily on May 13 that Tokyo-based Internet service provider Softbank and Apple were jointly developing handsets with built-in digital music players capable of directly downloading songs from Apple's iTunes Music Store. Neither company would confirm the report.

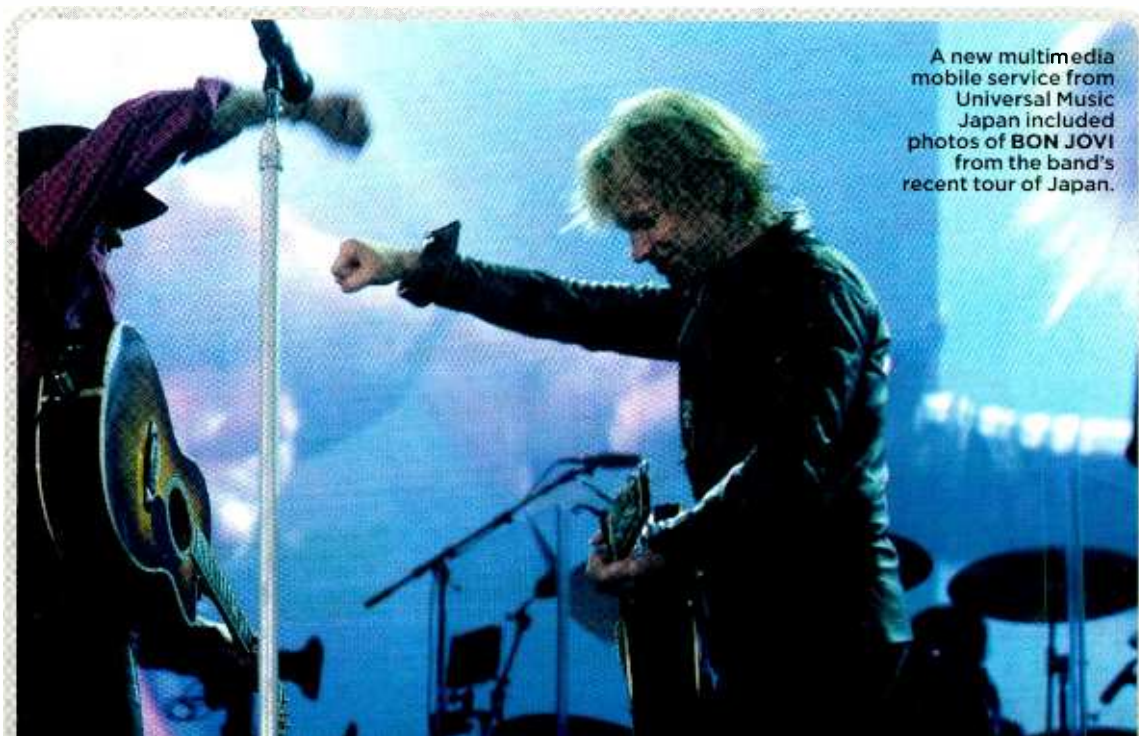
Industry observers expect Softbank, which bought Vodafone's Japanese unit in March, to place particular emphasis on music services as a way of attracting younger users to Vodafone, which has fallen behind DoCoMo and KDDI in terms of market share.

Not to be outdone, KDDI announced May 22 the June launch of a mobile handset with a built-in Sony Walkman music player capable of storing some 500 songs.

The Walkman Keitai W42S handset, which KDDI jointly developed with Sony, will be able to operate for about 30 hours on a single charge when used as a music player and will retail for about 20,000 yen (\$179.15).

And on June 7, DoCoMo became the third Japanese telecom to offer mobile phone-based, full-song downloads. The service will initially be available only on the new Panasonic P902iS FOMA third-generation handset, which was also launched June 7. The device can store up to 2GB of music content or nearly 1,000 songs—the latest entry into a fast-paced, innovative and potentially lucrative market. ♦♦♦

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ANIME ACTION BOOSTS JAPAN'S MUSIC ABROAD

Visual Style Helps Drive Success Of Emerging Acts

As any pop culture fan knows, anime has become an important medium for promoting Japanese music overseas. ■ Such acts as Puffy (known outside Japan as Puffy AmiYumi), T.M. Revolution and Nami Tamaki have developed solid fan bases beyond their native land by having their music used as anime theme songs or, in the case of Puffy, by having their own U.S. animated TV show ("Hi Hi Puffy AmiYumi") on Cartoon Network.

One measure of Puffy's impact in the United States was the presence of Puffy members Ami Onuki and Yumi Yoshimura performing on their own the float in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York last November—the first Japanese music act ever so honored.

Puffy's role in popularizing Japanese pop culture abroad received official recognition in January when the Japanese government on Jan. 16 named Puffy as goodwill ambassadors to the United States. The act, which is signed to Ki/oon Records, will help promote an initiative to encourage Americans to visit Japan.

Another Japanese artist who became a hit with American fans of anime is female vocalist Yoko Ishida, who has sung theme songs for such anime hits as "Sailor Moon."

Ishida, who is signed to Tokyo-based Geneon Entertainment, brought her Anime Fusion Tour to U.S. cities on the East Coast in September 2005 and to the West Coast this past January.

The latest Japanese act to jump on the overseas anime bandwagon is six-man rock group High and Mighty Color (SME Records), which hails from Okinawa, Japan's southernmost prefecture.

The band's song "Pride" was used in the anime series "Gundam Seed Destiny," and another tune, "Ichirin no Hana," was featured in the series "Bleach." Both series are popular with U.S. anime fans.

That exposure led to the U.S. release in March of High and Mighty Color's album "Goover," followed by its American debut in front of an audience of 2,000 at the Shiokezecon anime convention April 28 in Houston.

Back in Japan, the anime/music connection obviously isn't anything new. While in the past anime theme songs were usually performed by artists closely identified with anime, lately there has been an increase in the number of top-tier artists who are working with the genre. As a result, an

increasing number of anime songs are expected to enter the charts.

For example, the winner of the Recording Industry Assn. of Japan's animation album of the year award this year was "Mobile Gundam Seed Destiny," which featured songs from the popular anime series performed by such big-name acts as T.M. Revolution and Chemistry. The award for animation song of the year went to mega-popular pop-rock band Orange Range for its song "Asterisk," which was the theme song for the "Bleach" series.

Among Japanese labels, Sony has played a leading role in developing the anime/music connection, both overseas and in Japan. The label group—Japan's biggest, in terms of market share—recently held the Sony Anime Fest, which featured live performances by music acts involved with Sony anime titles such as T.M. Revolution, Rie Fu and Tommy Heavenly 6. Also appearing at the events were several top voice actors, who to hardcore anime fans are stars in their own right.

"Japanese animation has recently become popular all over the world," observes Yuji Kawaguchi, manager of the licensing department of Tokyo-based label Victor Entertainment.

"Of course, stories and characters are very important, but music is also a key factor," he says. "We would like to establish new markets for anime music in overseas territories."

Victor has released some 30 anime soundtrack titles overseas via licensing deals and reports the "Akira" series soundtrack has sold some 100,000 copies outside Japan.

—Steve McClure



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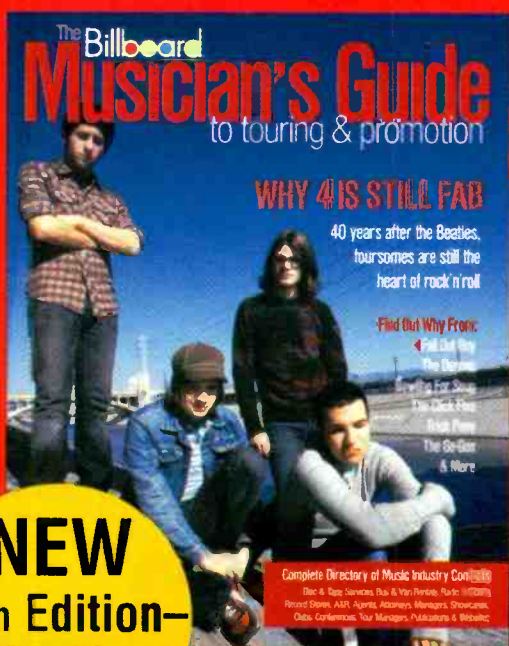
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JAPAN'S FESTIVALS BOOM

But Some Fear Packed Season Is Too Much Of A Good Thing

This year's summer music festival calendar in Japan is more packed than ever. ■ The big-name, internationally known events such as Fuji Rock and Summer Sonic are the mainstays of the season. But smaller, regional festivals have been popping up the length and breadth of the Japanese archipelago, from the island of Okinawa in the semitropical south to the wide-open spaces of Hokkaido in the north. "It may have taken longer for most of the regional festivals to be established and known throughout the nation, but we see more strong regional festivals with very strong local lineups this year," says Nori Tsuzuki, manager of concert promoter Kyodo Tokyo's international division.

For example, Kagawa Prefecture on the Seto Island Sea coast of the island of Shikoku is the smallest of Japan's 47 prefectures in geographical terms. But even Kagawa has its own rock festival, Monster Bash (monsterbash.jp), which this year takes place Aug. 26-27 in Manou Park amid Kagawa's gently rolling green hills.

Like many Japanese summer festivals, Monster Bash has a corporate sponsor, NTT DoCoMo Shikoku, the local branch of Japan's leading mobile-phone company. And like several other summer music events, Monster Bash features Japanese acts only, among them Okinawan rock band HY, jazz-rock group Pe'z and indie-rock act Ellegarden.

Although the summer festival boom shows no signs of ending, some think the whole phenomenon has passed its peak with some 25 large-scale outdoor music events scheduled to

take place in Japan this summer.

"It's just a knee-jerk thing now, putting on festivals in summer," one industry source says. "The more festivals there are, the thinner the bills become."

Perhaps. But there's definitely no shortage of big-name acts, domestic and international, playing at summer festivals in Japan this year.

For instance, Fuji Rock's lineup includes such international acts as Red Hot Chili Peppers, Franz Ferdinand, Broken Social Scene, the Hives, Sonic Youth, Super Furry Animals and Madness, as well as leading Japanese acts like Asian Kung-Fu Generation and Mo'some Tonebender.

As in past years, the 2006 edition of Fuji Rock will be July 28-30 in the bucolic setting of Niigata Prefecture's Naeba ski resort, about two hours by express train from Tokyo. Visitors coming to Japan to attend Fuji Rock may be in for a bit of a shock if they expect to see Mt. Fuji's famous snow-capped peak as a backdrop to the show—Japan's national symbol is actually about 200 miles south of the Fuji Rock festival site.

Ever since the first Fuji Rock festival in 1997 set the template for Japanese festivals there's been an emphasis on community and culture at summer music events. Several offer camping facilities and most feature a wide variety of food stalls and stands selling all kinds of crafts, clothes and other goods.

Giving Fuji Rock a run for its money in terms of big-name acts is Summer Sonic, which takes place Aug. 12-13 in Tokyo and Osaka (summersonic.com). International acts appearing at this year's Summer Sonic include Metallica,

Summer Sonic, below, staged in August in Tokyo and Osaka, holds its own in a crowded music festival market. ↑



Linkin Park, Daft Punk, Massive Attack, the Flaming Lips and Tool.

Another major summer festival featuring well-known foreign acts is the Udo Music Festival (udofes.jp), organized by Tokyo-based concert promoter Udo Artists, also in Tokyo and Osaka. The lineup has a distinct classic-rock flavor: Santana, Kiss, Jeff Beck and the Doobie Brothers are among the acts playing the Udo festival.

Billing itself as Japan's biggest summer festival in terms of attendance is the Rock in Japan Festival (rijfes.co.jp), which this year will be Aug. 4-6 in a park near the city of Hitachinaka in Ibaraki Prefecture, northeast of Tokyo. Rock in Japan is sponsored by leading Japanese music magazine Rockin' On and produced by Tokyo-based concert production/promotion company Disk Garage.

"In the last five years, summer festivals in Japan have finally taken root among Japanese music fans," Disk Garage president Takeo Nakanishi says. "They all understand that is the place to enjoy music."

Naoki Shimizu, president of Tokyo-based promotion company Creativeman, which organizes Summer Sonic, is upbeat about Japan's summer festival market.

"As far as Western music is concerned, there are only two—one urban festival [Summer Sonic] and one rural [Fuji Rock], so the market is far from saturated," Shimizu says. "The Udo Music Festival has not established itself as an annual player yet." The event first occurred in 2004 and will be staged for the second time this year. "But it may turn into the third major Western music festival," Shimizu adds.

Shimizu says that because regional festivals featuring domestic repertoire are evenly dis-

persed throughout the country, "the market is pretty well-balanced."

Massy Hayashi, president of Tokyo-based concert promotion company H.I.P., disagrees.

"There are too many festivals—they're killing the market," Hayashi says bluntly. In the '80s, H.I.P. held a series of Japan Jam outdoor summer festivals—but no more, Hayashi says.

He admits that the summer festival boom has its good side, because 50 days of live music during the summer helps to promote music in general. But having so many acts play in such a relatively short span of time weakens demand in the year-round concert market, Hayashi argues.

The continuing popularity of summer festivals has led companies from outside the concert promotion business to enter the fray. Tower Records Japan, for example, recently organized an event called the Nagisa ("seaside") Music Festival, which was held in Tokyo's Odaiba district beside Tokyo Bay on April 16. The festival's main "all-genre" stage leaned toward club/techno, with Japanese DJ/producer Takkyu Ishino, Jeff Mills and Japanese techno/dub band Audio Active among the featured acts.

The festival also included a hip-hop/reggae stage, a house stage and—unusual for Japan—a stage labeled "Rainbow Gay Mix."

And Avex, Japan's biggest independent label, is again holding its a-nation festival series (a-nation.net/pc), which features major Avex acts such as Ayumi Hamasaki, Kumi Koda and BoA. This year's edition of a-nation comprises seven shows in five cities across Japan from July 29 until Aug. 27.

—Steve McClure



The Earth Celebration festival attracts drummers from around the globe.

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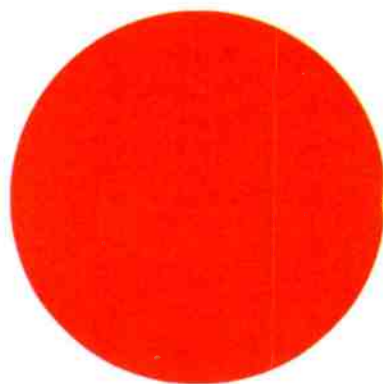
The event, which will take place Aug. 18-

20, attracts percussion groups from all over the world and features workshops (including one dedicated to the hula this year), fringe events and exhibitions.

International guest performers include Tamango's Urban Tap, a collective of dancers and musicians brought together by Tamango, a New York-based tap dancer.

For more information, visit Earth Celebration's Web site at kodo.or.jp/ec/en.

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Busta's New York Groove

He's Revived His Own Career—Can He Rejuvenate NYC's Scene?

Returning to hip-hop after a four-year hiatus is a high hurdle for any artist—and one Busta Rhymes has cleared with aplomb. First-week sales of "The Big Bang" topped 200,000 and earned him a spot atop The Billboard 200. And with two singles from "The Big Bang" in the top 25 of the Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Songs chart—"Touch It" peaked at No. 3 while "I Love My B****" is at No. 25 and climbing—it seems Rhymes may have some legs.

But can he carry an entire region?

New York, the breeding ground of hip-hop, and once its shining beacon, has fallen on tough times. Rhymes says he is determined to return it to glory.

New York artists have disappeared almost completely from the singles charts. Within the last decade, it was not uncommon to find 10 or more New York-area acts within the top 10 on the R&B/hip-hop chart in any given year. This year, Rhymes and Juelz Santana are the sole representatives.

It's a falloff that hasn't escaped the attention of hip-hop fans, artists, the music press—and Rhymes.

"I'm just tired of that," Rhymes says at the New York office of his management company, Violator. "Fuck the excuses, fuck the whole 'New York ain't got a swag.' We got the swag! We just need to make sure we reinstate the throne to New York's swag holders."

New York's fall from grace occurs as other cities and regions—the Bay Area's hyphy scene, Houston's chopped and screwed sound, Atlanta's snap tracks—are making a name for themselves.

Artists and industry sources who spoke with Billboard say that one reason for this is

that scenes outside New York are more supportive of local talent.

New York's two R&B/hip-hop stations, WQHT (Hot 97) and WWPR (Power 105), have only one New York act within their respective top 10 playlists—Remy Ma, with "Feels So Good."

"It's like you're Mary J. Blige and you're locked in a room forced to listen to Keyshia Cole," Hot 97 jock and mix-tape guru DJ Kay Slay says. "Maino, Saigon, Tru Life, Jae Millz, all these [new New York] artists get mix-show spins.

But a new Southern artist gets support."

A look at the top 10 playlists of Atlanta's top two R&B/hip-hop stations, WVEE (V-103) and WHTA (Hot 107.9),

proves DJ Kay

Slay's point. Both have at least one lesser-known, local artist in their top 10, with V-103 spinning D.G. Yola's "Ain't Gon Let Up" and Hot 107.9 spinning DJ Unk's "Walk It Out."

New York may also simply be in a down cycle prompted by Jay-Z's retirement and Ja Rule's sales decline. Queens MC Nas has also been quiet since 2004's "Streets Disciple."

"The only records out right now are Busta,"

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LATEST BUZZ

>>>CAREY, MCGRAW, OTHERS SEE STARS

What do Mariah Carey, Sean "Diddy" Combs, the Doors, Crystal Gayle, Tim McGraw, LeAnn Rimes and Shania Twain have in common? All will get stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame in 2007. Although dates have yet to be set, the artists were chosen from hundreds of nominations by the Walk of Fame committee of the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce.

—Melinda Newman

>>>RANDALL, ALEXANDER DROPPED

Artists Jon Randall and Jessi Alexander have been cut from the Sony BMG Nashville roster. The artists, who are a couple, had been working on a duets album together. Prior to releasing an album on Epic last year, Randall recorded for RCA Label Group, Asylum and Eminent Records. Alexander released one album on Columbia last year. They join four other artists who were recently cut following the merger of RCA Label Group and Sony Music Nashville: Jace Everett, Susan Haynes, Brice Long and Jamey Johnson (*Billboard*, July 1). —Phyllis Stark

>>>TEENA MARIE SIGNS PUB DEAL

Singer/songwriter Teena Marie has signed an exclusive worldwide publishing deal with Jay Warner's National League Music. The R&B chanteuse released her second Cash Money Classics/Universal Motown album, "Sapphire," in May.

—Gail Mitchell

>>>SIRIUS AIRS MCCOURY'S 'PICKS'

Bluegrass legend Del McCoury, frontman for the Del McCoury Band, will host a new show, "Hand Picked With Del McCoury," on Sirius Satellite Radio's bluegrass channel. The show will feature traditional and progressive bluegrass music. It launches July 24 and will air Saturdays at 3 p.m. ET.

—Phyllis Stark

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DJ Kay Slay says. "[Cam'ron's crew] the Diplomats do their thing. But New York fell off."

Staten Island's Ghostface, whose recent album "Fish-scale" sold 110,000 first-week copies, has been especially vocal about defending the honor of New York's hip-hop scene. At a concert earlier this year, Ghostface called Atlanta rap group D4L's "Laffy Taffy," which reached No. 1 on The Billboard Top 100, "unauthentic hip-hop," comments widely interpreted as taking a shot at the South. Hot 97 midday mixer Mr. Cee explains: "His beef is that it's from the South . . . Ghostface feels like 'Laffy Taffy' was a novelty record."

But New York may want to pay a little more attention to some of the decidedly light fare bouncing around clubs and up the charts all over the country.

"New York has gotten so hardcore, it's not cool to dance," DJ Kay Slay says. "The South is hip-hop in 1979. It's fun."

It's a point that may explain Rhymes' enduring success. "You gotta make music for the world," Rhymes says. "Every venue ain't a hood venue."

The rapper has learned his lessons from years of hitmak-

ing. "If you want to get the whole scope, you gotta be able to make the joints that is gonna work on all radio formats," he says. "Keep your little shit for the street the way you gotta keep it for the street. But you gotta make the ladies happy, you gotta make them proper people happy, upscale middle class people who don't want to hear all that shit about the chains and the whips."

"The Big Bang" shrewdly blends pop tracks like the will.i.am-produced "I Love My B****" featuring Kelis with more classically hip-hop songs like the Eric Sermon-produced

"Goldmine" featuring new labelmate Raekwon.

"There's an identity crisis where dudes don't understand how to make a New York record that ain't going to compromise who they are but still keep it borderline global enough to be mainstream," Rhymes says.

Of course, comparing a metro area of about 100 miles in diameter to vast regions of the country may be unfair. Houston, Atlanta, New Orleans, Miami, the Carolinas and Tennessee all have their own sounds and styles, and have the benefit of relative newcomer sta-

tus to hip-hop's brightest spotlight. As hip-hop's first city, it's hard for New York to redefine itself as "the new thing."

"New York hip-hop needs a new sound and a new young face," says Shakir Stewart, Def Jam senior VP of A&R, who signed Rick Ross and Young Jeezy. "[The South] is a breath of fresh energy."

"Everybody in New York was a gun-busting, crack-dealing something," says Chaka Zulu, co-CEO of Atlanta-based label Disturbing Tha Peace. "New York has to tell its current story. People won't want to know

about New York again until they don't know about New York."

Fortunately for New York, there are some new faces in the region (see sidebar). One of them, Papoose, has been named mix-tape artist of the year at Justo's Mixtape Awards twice in a row, and is signed to the individual labels of both Rhymes and DJ Kay Slay, who are, in turn, shopping a major-label deal.

In June at Hot 97's Summer Jam concert, Rhymes brought other New York artists with him onstage. Now he's using footage from that performance in his next video, for "New York Shit."

Grabbing everyone from Kool Herc to Kid Capri and including shots of Junior's Restaurant in Brooklyn and the Apollo Theater, Rhymes' video sets him up as a one-man resurrection team.

"Everybody from [Big Daddy] Kane to Slick Rick to Q-Tip and a bunch [of others] came out with me to Summer Jam," Rhymes says. "It was a monumental event, live, just microphone, rhyming on the beat, 52,000 people . . . that was raw, stripped-down, classic and traditional hip-hop, acknowledging the fact that the birthplace of it is New York." . . .

From The Five Boroughs

A half dozen NYC-area hip-hop stars to be, each with albums expected later this year.



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Freestyler brings back New York's essence—lyricism.
J.R. WRITER
Spanish Harlem
Koch
Burgeoning Diplomat's single "Grill 'Em" on radio.
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Well-dressed MC once fourth member of A Tribe Called Quest.



Rhythm & Blues

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Jazz Thrives At Playboy Fest

Jazz is one of the creative cornerstones of R&B and hip-hop. While the number of full-time commercial radio stations playing jazz is dwindling and jazz festivals these days are frequently headlined by smooth R&B and jazz/pop acts—rather than straight-ahead jazz artists—the genre is not lacking in promise.

While a strong New Orleans undercurrent ran throughout the 28th annual Playboy Jazz Festival, the June 17-18 event at the Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles also put the spotlight on young talents such as pianist Eldar Djangirov, trumpeter Christian Scott and the Los Angeles County High School for the Arts Jazz Ensemble under the direction of Jason Goldman.

Scott marked his festival debut as a featured performer and as a member of host Bill Cosby's ad hoc ensemble Cos of Good Music.

A self-assured performer at 22, Scott is a Berklee College of Music grad whose expressive style hinges on his compelling, breathy tone. The New Orleans native points to such influences as King Oliver and Louis Armstrong, but was mentored by his uncle, alto saxophonist Donald Harrison

Jr., and veteran hornman Clark Terry. You can hear what I'm talking about on "Rewind That," Scott's Concord Records album debut.

Also making an impact in his own festival bow was 19-year-old Djangirov. From San Diego by way of Kyrgyzstan (formerly part of the Soviet Union), Djangirov is another confident player whose skill belies his age. Two years ago he was invited by Wynton Marsalis to perform at the opening of Jazz at Lincoln Center's new Rose Hall.

Demonstrating jazz's versatility were a couple of relative newcomers: singer/pianist Jamie Cullum (who did a crowd-pleasing snippet of Kanye West's "Gold Digger")

and composer/vibraphonist Stefon Harris.

Playboy icon Hugh Hefner calls jazz the "music of my childhood." The magazine's first Hollywood Bowl fest 28 years ago featured Ella Fitzgerald, Count Basie, Duke Ellington and Miles Davis. More of the jazz performers he has a soft spot for appear on "Hef's Favorites," the new Concord release that he compiled.

Hefner added that the Los Angeles community's embrace of the festival is the reason for its longevity. "People who suggest that you can't make it [a success] with jazz are obviously wrong. We have beat the odds," he said backstage Saturday afternoon. "This music is the stuff of dreams. It speaks to the heart and soul."

MUSICAL NOTES: Producer Rodney Jerkins will release his all-star remake of Sister Sledge's "We Are Family" on Aug. 28 to coincide with the one-year anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. The single features Sister Sledge, Patti LaBelle, Chris Brown and Lyfe Jennings, among others. The single will be followed Oct. 17 by a special edition Hurricane Katrina relief CD/DVD issued via Bungalow/Universal Music Group in conjunction with the Points of Light Foundation. Sales of the CD/DVD, featuring the "Family" single and nine other tracks, will benefit hurricane-displaced families.

NBA star Ron Artest of the Sacramento Kings is spending his downtime prepping for the release of his rap album "My World." Guests include Mike Jones, 112, Allure and Capone. It arrives Aug. 29 through Artest's Tru Warier Records Productions, distributed by WEA's Light-year Entertainment. . . .



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Nashville Scene

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New Nashville Names

Entrepreneurs Try Their Hand At The Music City Game

As the music industry's fortunes ebb and flow, the business remains sexy enough to attract a steady stream of wealthy outside investors. Many made their fortunes elsewhere, but were lured by the music to try their hands in a volatile industry.

In the country music world, one of the more successful recent examples is Benny Brown, a California car dealer who launched Broken Bow Records in 1999. In recent months, he's been joined in the label game by New England nursing home entrepreneur Raymond Termini, CEO of Connecticut-based Haven Healthcare, and by attorney/entrepreneur John Simmons, CEO of Hedgewood International and founder of the law firm Simmons Cooper. Through Hedgewood, Simmons owns such ventures as a steel mill and two minor league baseball teams.

In January, Termini launched Category 5 Records in Nashville, a company that also has a publishing arm. Simmons is in the process of launching Montage Music Nashville, which is being billed as a multigenre record label as well as a publishing and management company. Hedgewood will serve as the parent of Montage Music.

If Broken Bow's history is any indication, it

may take Termini and Simmons a few years to find their footing. After several years of financing Broken Bow from his back pocket, Brown's label finally took off in 2005 when it hit moderately big with artists Craig Morgan and Jason Aldean. The label is now financially self-sustaining.

While it's still very early in the label's life, Category 5's rocky start is indicative of how tricky it can be to navigate the waters in this town.

After spending wads of cash for signage and sponsorship at Country Radio Seminar in February, Category 5 failed to even chart the debut single, "Direct Connect," from its first artist, Craig Hand. Meanwhile, it signed veteran country artists Travis Tritt and Sammy Kershaw, reportedly for big bucks. Tritt, however, won't have a new project out until next year. Kershaw's first album for the label, "Honky Tonk Boots," is due June 27.

Next the label got sideways with the media and jeopardized its credibility when it announced that it had "signed" George Jones to its roster, much to the consternation of the folks at Jones' actual label home, Bandit Records. In truth, Jones had signed up to record just one song for a tribute album Category 5 is planning that will feature artists from a variety of genres singing Jones' songs.

Then, just four months after its launch, the RED-distributed Category 5 jettisoned much of its original staff, including VP of operations John Northrup, VP of promotion Tony Benken and three members of Benken's team. It did make a key replacement hire in former Epic Records VP of promotion Bill Macky, who came onboard as executive VP of promotion and is reconfiguring the label's promotion team.

It's much too early to tell how Montage will fare, but Simmons' first hire is a promising one. He's tapped former Sony Music Nashville president/CEO Allen Butler to head the company and oversee its launch. Prior to his tenure at Sony Music Nashville, Butler was VP of promotion and artist development at Arista Nashville.

Still in the works for the fledgling Montage are a distribution deal, artist and staff signings and the acquisition of office space for the company on Music Row.

Since the success of any label is good for the whole industry, let's hope it happens for Category 5 and Montage Music sooner than later.

ON THE ROW: Former Sony Music Nashville publicist Amy Willis has landed at management company Hallmark Direction as director of press and publicity. Hallmark clients include Montgomery Gentry, Jeff Bates, Trent Willmon, Ray Scott and the Whites. ●●●



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FACT FILE

Label: Capitol Records Nashville

Management: Q Prime

Booking: William Morris Agency

Publishing: Sony/ATV Tree Publishing (BMI)

COUNTRY BY PHYLLIS STARK

Church's Mass Appeal

New Capitol Nashville Artist Is Living Up To The Buzz

NASHVILLE—Mike Dungan is a record executive not given to hyperbole. So when the Capitol Records Nashville president/CEO walked onstage at Country Radio Seminar (CRS) in Nashville in February and declared that Eric Church's debut CD, "Sinners Like Me," was the best record he had made in his six years at Capitol, it got radio's attention.

Standing in the wings, Church heard Dungan say publicly what he'd often heard the label chief say privately and remembers thinking, "Great, now the whole world just got [thrown] on my shoulders."

Still, he barreled onto the stage and immediately launched into a song about, of all things, the anxiety of waiting for pregnancy test results. By the time he got to the line "We were young and on fire and just couldn't wait/Six weeks in, she was three weeks late," Church owned the room.

He says everything changed for him that day as he emerged from CRS as one of this year's buzz artists—five months before the scheduled July 18 release date of his album. He was already well into his introductory radio tour.

But when Church resumed the tour, he found he had graduated from the conference room/cold pizza circuit to being ushered into station studios for on-air interviews.

Not surprisingly, debut sin-

gle "How 'Bout You" quickly became a hit. The song is No. 17 on Billboard's Top Country Songs chart this issue.

Like many young country artists, Church leans heavily on rock sounds, but Jay Joyce's edgy production brings some unusual textures to Church's music; there's even a tuba on one track.

Church says Joyce and he worked hard to make an album that wasn't the Nashville norm. "Where most people go right, we went left," he says. "We tried to make as interesting a record as we could."

Thematically, "Sinners Like Me" is a little more traditional country. Topics range from songs about capital punishment to learning life's lessons the hard way.

WYCD Detroit PD Tim Roberts calls the album "sonically diverse" and says, "I like his cutting-edge lyrics with real honesty that cuts to the heart." Roberts cites planned second single "Two Pink Lines"—the pregnancy test song—as an example.

Capitol senior director of A&R Arthur Buenahora first signed North Carolina native Church as a songwriter in 2003 when the exec worked at Sony/ATV Tree Publishing. He later followed him to Capitol after helping Church land his deal there.

In addition to his songwriting, what immediately impressed Buenahora about Church was that "this kid

knew exactly who he was and what kind of music he wanted to make. That's something you can't teach an artist."

Church wrote or co-wrote all the album's tracks. Many songs, like "Lightning," inspired by the film "The Green Mile," are dark. Church calls that tone "my natural place when I write by myself."

But his humorous side shows through in plenty of his co-writes, like the crowd-pleaser "Pledge Allegiance to the Hag," which features its namesake, Merle Haggard, on the album.

In an effort to expose him to his potential fan base, his agents at William Morris have been carefully booking Church in a combination of headlining gigs at clubs—many in college towns like Athens, Ga., and Fayetteville, Ark.—and opening slots on various country tours. This summer, he's opening dates for Brad Paisley, and a supporting slot on a big fall tour is being finalized.

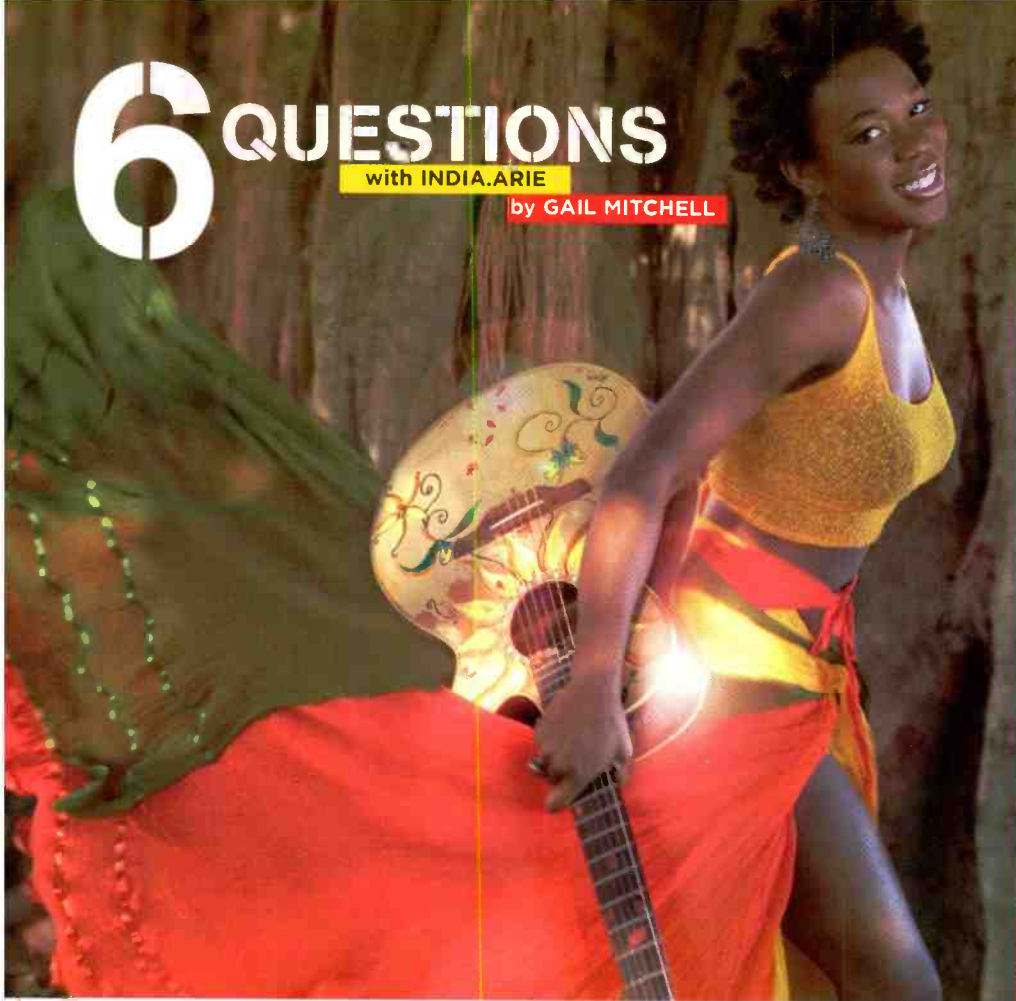
Meanwhile, Church has already made solid fans at country radio. Roberts is among those expecting him to stick around and become a real star.

"The future of our format," Roberts says, "depends on us developing great new acts like Eric Church with lyrical and musical integrity [who are] not afraid to take some chances musically." ●●●

6 QUESTIONS

with INDIA.ARIE

by GAIL MITCHELL



India.Arie did not set out to be one of the original poster children for neo-soul. But the seven Grammy Award nominations earned by her 2001 platinum debut, "Accoustic Soul," plus her 2002 Grammy-winning platinum follow-up, "Voyage to India," deemed otherwise.

The singer/songwriter, who is now also a U.S. ambassador for UNICEF, took a more ambitious approach on her third Universal Motown album "Testimony: Vol. 1, Life & Relationship." The June 27 release finds India.Arie covering Don Henley's "The Heart of the Matter," trading licks with Bonnie Raitt and even playing trumpet as she explores the aftermath of a painful breakup.

Q: Are you nervous about returning after almost four years?

A: This album shows a more vulnerable side of me, so it does make me a little nervous. But not afraid. Part of what I wanted to do this time was speak my truth about my quest in life. My music has always been very personal. That's what I do.

Not giving people what they expect from me might turn them off. In the music industry you have to be conscious of that. But that takes a back seat to doing what's honest for me. I place this in faith, not fear, that it will work.

Q: In addition to Bonnie Raitt, you collaborated with Rascal Flatts' Gary LeVox. What spurred these intriguing pairings?

A: I just did what I intuitively felt. For some people, these pair-

ings seem unexpected. However, for the people who know me, it all makes perfect sense. It's about all the musicians I love and the stuff I love to do.

This album is closer to who I am musically. It shows a wider range of my tastes and ability, which includes country music. My family is from Memphis; country is in my blood.

Q: Do you consider this album's first single, "I'm Not My Hair," a sequel to your first hit, "Video"?

A: No. People and God took "Video," and it spoke to a lot of women. That song was also about introducing me as an artist: as someone you're not used to hearing.

I know why people hear those songs the same way, but I'm not in that place anymore. "Hair" came as concept when I cut my locks. The song talks about defining you for you, but it also has a lot of metaphorical messages. That's one reason why I used [R&B singer] Akon on the remix. I had many male friends in the early '90s who couldn't get jobs because they had dreadlocks.

Q: Some people still define you as "neo-soul." What do you think of the term?

A: It was coined to make money. You know, "This is a special kind of water in a special glass that costs \$15 instead of \$9." That's what the music industry is about.

But that's not what I'm about. I never called myself or my music that. That's what bothered me: They were seeking to define a bunch of artists

defying definition. So we were put in this box. How dare you tag someone to make people feel comfortable.

In the beginning I was Erykah Badu. Before that when I was only writing songs, I was Arrested Development. But time will continue to define me. It's doing that with this album.

Q: You did a clever song in a Los Angeles concert called "Vagina's Monologues." Will that appear on a subsequent album?

A: "Testimony: Vol. 2, Love & Politics" is written and partially recorded. I've reserved that song for that album, but I don't know if it will be on there.

People will assume "Vol. 2" is about the war and American politics. A little of that is in there. But as in "Vagina's," I'm also talking about the way women view their bodies and how that affects our health. I talk about AIDS in Africa; the hip-hop generation that doesn't prioritize its money. It's about the politics of human nature and humanity.

It's not about me being preachy but doing music that touches and speaks to people.

Q: Is there a country album in your future?

A: Music is what I love to do. And now that I have better producer chops, a country album is something I want to do one day. I don't know who's going to put it out. But when I do, I don't think people will call it "country music." They'll probably call it "neo-soul" [laughs].



Latin Notas

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Home To The Music

In Colombia, Reflections On What Music Means

It's inevitable.

Every time I go home, I return nostalgic and patriotic, particularly when it comes to music.

After 10 days in my native Colombia, I am—at least temporarily—completely and absolutely convinced that the best salsa in the world, the most eloquent troubadours and the broadest possible variety of music is to be found in this one country.

This time, however, my twice-yearly trip south yielded an "eureka" moment in terms of Latin American musical identity.

It happened in the midst of one particularly excellent party, where drinks, a piano and a microphone kept us up and singing until 5 a.m.

The collective revelry, to be repeated several times during the week, made me realize that the commonality shared by Latin music region-wide goes beyond merely the common

language theory I have long espoused.

It also has to do with two essential ingredients: A melody that can be easily sung and a rhythm that invites dancing.

At first blush, these two characteristics seem obvious to music in general. But among Latins, they also define a lifestyle.

Music is an intrinsic element of Latin culture, as it is of most cultures.

But throughout Latin America, it is also common to enter a party or gathering, find a guitar, someone to play it and a host of people to sing. It is akin to the piano singalong tradition of the United States, except that the latter has mostly become the realm of cruise ships and the rare singalong bar.

In Latin America, the tradition of singing and dancing in gatherings remains firmly entrenched across generations.

The repertoire transcends borders.

At a recent Argentine party in Miami, we sang everything from "American Pie" to Argentine rock by Charly Garcia and Soda Stereo to ballads by Mocedades and Agustin Lara.

Our Cali repertoire spanned a very late-night version of "Hotel California" as well as such standards as "Sabor a Mi" and "Adoro."

Beyond the American pop standards, a deep arsenal of pan-regional Latin hits ensures the ongoing marketability of cover albums in Latin America, by acts as diverse as Andrea Bocelli and Il Divo (whose new albums include Latin standards) along with the likes of Julio Iglesias and Luis Miguel.

Latins are infinitely melodic and romantic. Even newer repertoire by acts like Juanes, Maná and Chayanne sticks, as long as the melody is strong enough.

It is no accident that American rap acts have rarely enjoyed the same kind of popularity south of the border as their pop and rock counterparts. Even in a foreign language, it's possible to phonetically make out the lyrics to melodic fare; with rap in English, there is little to grasp onto.

Why, then, is the melodically challenged reggaeton so hugely popular in Latin America? Because you can dance to it.

Of course, not all dance songs are created equal, a fact underscored during my singing holiday. In recurrent rotation during the week—and, indeed, of my life—were "Plastico" and "Pedro Navaja," two tracks from the 1978 Willie Colon/Ruben Blades album "Siembra," touted as the best-selling salsa album of all time.

The tracks, sung by Blades, are long and the lyrics intrinsic. "Pedro Navaja," a take on "Mack the Knife," is a nearly eight-minute tale of a man knifed down by the prostitute he tries to steal from in the streets of New York.

It's a great track to dance to and a great melody to sing.

A perfect combination for a Latin American audience.

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Sheard Stays Cool As Career Heats Up

They say you can tell a lot about a person by the way they handle lost luggage or a rainy day, but the true test of an artist's mettle is how she handles a video shoot in 90 degree weather.

On a recent sweltering day in Nashville, Kierra "Kiki" Sheard was the epitome of graciousness and cool. During a break in the action, she took time to talk (thankfully in an air conditioned trailer) about her new album, "This Is Me," which came out June 27 on EMI Gospel.

"There's that thing called the sophomore jinx and I was a little nervous about whether or not I would be able to do what I did on 'I Owe You,'" Sheard says. She was referring to her debut album, which made history by becoming the first such effort to debut at No. 1 on Billboard's Top Gospel Albums chart.

Despite being nervous, the talented teen is pleased with the results on "This Is Me," a spirited collection of R&B/hip-hop-flavored gospel tunes. "I think that the Lord made the way. He kind of worked it out for me and it's a great album, but I was most definitely nervous, very scared," the 18-year-old admits.

Sheard is a third-generation gospel artist. Her mother is Karen Clark Sheard of the famed Clark Sisters and her grandmother is gospel pioneer Dr. Mattie Moss Clark. "I believe that it was much easier for me as a new artist to come in the industry because my mom and aunts shared their wisdom with me and I was able to get the knowledge that some new artists didn't have," she says.

Sheard also benefits from her father's profession. Dr. J. Drew Sheard is minister of Greater Emmanuel Church of God in Christ, one of the largest churches in Michigan. Sheard says she draws inspiration from his sermons that finds its way into the songs she writes.

Continuing the family connection, her 16-year-old brother, J. Drew, is one of the album's producers, along with Fred Jerkins, Warryn Campbell, Antonio Neal, Tommy Simms, P.J. Morton



SHEARD

and PAJAM.

"This is definitely a personal record," Sheard says. "It has songs that I sang from the bottom of my heart in the studio. I cried on some of the songs. It ministered to my soul, so I know it will minister to those out there that may need a little encouragement or just the gospel word to help them get through the week."

Sheard penned eight tracks on her new album and says she finds time to write in various locales. "When I'm on the plane or we have studio time, I'll write," she says. "[The songs] just come. Sometimes I write them in a journal. The Lord just gives them to me. It's an awesome thing."

A lot has happened to Sheard since the release of her first album. She graduated from high school, started college at Detroit's Wayne State University and is majoring in law. She's also become a sensation in Japan, where the single "Let Go" (from "Just Until . . ." a remix album EMI Gospel issued last summer) has become a major hit.

"It's God making a way for me," Sheard says. "It's him just giving me favor and giving me the opportunity to spread the gospel across the world."

IN BRIEF: Newsboys bassist Phil Joel, who also records as a solo artist, has signed a record deal with Indelible Creative Group. Look for Joel's new album, "deliberatePeople," Sept. 12.

Integrity Music is launching a new initiative, GlobalWorshipNow.com, an online community of churches offering new worship resources and content. The launch coincides with the July 11 release of "Living for You," a new CD and companion resources from Dallas-based Gateway Church, which will be a major contributor to the site.

Third Day is in the studio working on "Christmas Offerings," the third installment of the band's popular series of "Offerings" worship CDs. The project will include newly written songs alongside Christmas classics.



The Beat

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Kalodner Looking Forward With An Eye On Past

When A&R executive John Kalodner leaves Sanctuary Group's Los Angeles offices for the last time on July 14, his exit strategy is securely in place. "When I pull out of the parking lot, I'm putting my BlackBerry under the rear wheel of the Lexus. I'll put it in a plastic bag, so it won't make a mess for the other drivers."

In other words, don't expect an announcement anytime soon about a new venture. Kalodner broke the news of his retirement June 19 on billboard.biz. Even though Sanctuary laid off Kalodner with several other staffers last fall, he kept working out of its offices. He also continued his

A&R role independently: He oversaw an album by "Rock Star" finalist Suzie McNeal for manager Irving Azoff.

But after he finished that project, Kalodner realized what he'd long suspected: The thrill was gone. That, coupled with other signs—he says the June 1 departure of Don Ienner and Michele Anthony from Sony, both of whom he worked with during his nine years at Columbia—helped him realize it was over. "It seemed it was time to retire instead of being a jerkoff and forming a publishing or management company," Kalodner says, displaying his classic candor.

There are few executives with A&R track records that extend more than 30 years in

pop music. The list of acts Kalodner worked with at Atlantic, Geffen and Columbia includes Foreigner, Whitesnake, Shawn Colvin, Aerosmith, Bon Jovi, Cher, Phil Collins, Genesis, XTC, AC/DC and Peter Gabriel.

But the simple fact is major labels have little use for someone like Kalodner anymore, something he freely admits. While there are clearly still some tremendously talented A&R reps who can see a diamond in the rough in a chunk of coal, the art of A&R has largely been subsumed by ego-driven artists and producers who feel insulted if the A&R exec even comes by the studio and by risk-adverse labels who care more about the bottom

line than the creative arc.

As Kalodner says, "A&R'ing was a process where you tried to get the artist to do their best work, which always involved having them go back into the studio, which costs money. Nowadays, the labels don't have that kind of money." Then, as he notes, once an artist has some success, woe to the A&R exec who challenges the artist to write and rewrite and push through creative barriers.

Kalodner says the last time he saw that happen was when Warner Bros. senior VP of A&R Rob Cavallo produced and A&R'd Green Day's "American Idiot." "That's a brilliant, spectacular record," he says.

The A&R execs who do push back are often as hated as they

are loved. When Kalodner, who is largely responsible for Aerosmith's '90s comeback, made Steven Tyler rework his songs to make them more commercially viable, Kalodner says Tyler spouted off in interviews that Kalodner "killed and injured his children."

Without a doubt, Kalodner says he'll miss making music, but he has no regrets. "I'm the luckiest person ever that I got to be around when there was so much talent and to have worked with Ahmet Ertegun and David Geffen and the people at Sony," he says. "I had the best career of anyone ever."

WE WANT MO! As one legend exits, another is coming back. Warner Bros. has brought

back former chairman Mo Ostin in a consulting capacity. Ostin's legacy as one of the greatest record men ever is secure—he struck a balance between art and commerce that few music execs have ever achieved—but how rewarding will it be for a younger generation, many of them young enough to be Ostin's grandkids, to learn from the master? Instead of folks running around muttering, "They don't make them like Mo anymore" (and admit it, fair or not, we've all heard people say it), maybe his presence can reverse that. Ostin has been spotted in the Burbank, Calif., offices, spies say, but his role is still being defined.



Puppini Sisters Head Back To The Future

"Forward to the '40s" is the message from the Puppini Sisters, whose lighthearted musical re-creation of the era has drawn widespread media attention for Britain's "new Andrews Sisters."

Marcella Puppini, Stephanie O'Brien and Kate Mullins formed the trio in September 2004. They are signed worldwide to Universal Classics & Jazz, which will release their debut album, "Betcha Bottom Dollar," July 31 in the United Kingdom.

The Puppinis embrace such wartime originals "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy (From Company B)"—out July 24 as a U.K. single—and "Mr. Sandman" alongside period-style versions of such pop/new wave hits as Blondie's "Heart of Glass," Kate Bush's "Wuthering Heights" and the Smiths' "Panic."

Universal Classics & Jazz A&R/artist development manager Tom Lewis signed the band after seeing it live at London's Trinity College of Music. "They were so fresh, energetic and engaging, I couldn't help laughing out loud," he says. "The '40s revival has been bubbling away for some time—the girls could make it explode."

Lewis describes the trio as "superb musicians who do all their own arrangements" and is hopeful that international releases will follow the album's U.K. appearance. "When I presented the group in New York to other [Universal] territories," he says, "there was a unanimously positive reaction." —Paul Sexton

FRESH VENEER: For a singer/songwriter who spends so much time on the road, it's somehow ironic that Sweden's José González owes so much to TV exposure of a cover version.

González wraps a series of North American shows July 3 in New York, four days before hitting the United Kingdom and Europe for festival shows and dates in Australia and New Zealand. He is booked through Monstera (Scandinavia), Windish (North

America) and the Agency Group (rest of world).

González's European calling card was "Heartbeats" from debut album "Veneer," as featured in a 2005 TV ad campaign for Sony's Bravia range of high-definition TVs. It was initially a 2003 Swedish hit on Stockholm independent Imperial Recordings, which says domestic shipments are close to 60,000 units. González's "Heartbeats," an acoustic remake of a 2003 single by countrymen the Knife, was a hit in several European countries earlier this year.

London-based indie Peacefrog signed González for European

markets, releasing "Veneer" in April 2005, and reports that U.K. sales are nearing 400,000 copies. A September 2005 U.S. release on indie Parasol/Hidden Agenda preceded a major release April 4 on Mute, which has signed him for North America.

González is published by Imperial Music Publishing/Misty Music (Peacefrog Publishing in the United Kingdom). He plans to record his second album in late summer with several songs already written. "The last time I had some restrictions—most of the songs were a verse/refrain structure," González says. "Now I don't want any rules; if it sounds good, it sounds good . . . with just guitar and vocals." —Jeffrey de Hart and Tom Ferguson



THE PUPPINI SISTERS

TOP RAP: Italian rapper Fabri Fibra captured the No. 1 spot on the FIMI album chart in early June, becoming the first hardcore local hip-hop artist to do so. His third album, "Tradimento" (Universal), topped the chart in the week after its May 25 release.

The album has attracted widespread publicity for its "politically incorrect" explicit lyrics about gays and women. Although Fibra's lyrics initially limited radio play, Universal Music Italy director of local repertoire Marco Zischka says programmers have been steadily won over by the album's success.

"Successful Italian rap acts have tended to be 'softer' and more commercial," Zischka says. "But 'Tradimento' has already gone gold [40,000 shipments]; we feel this is just the start."

The 26-year-old Fibra (real name Fabrizio Tarducci) previously released "Turbe Giovanili" (2002) and "Mr. Simpatia" (2004) on independent Vibra Records, building an underground following. Zischka adds that Universal has no definitive plans for overseas releases at present.

Fibra is published by Universal/MCA Music Italy. Live bookings are through Milano Concerti. —Mark Worden



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Bell Gives Violin 'Voice'

New Album 'Voice Of The Violin' Transforms Vocal Classics Into Strings

Nearly three years ago, Joshua Bell hit some high chart notes with the release of his album "Romance of the Violin." That disc encompassed an array of beloved classical melodies—everything from Puccini's aria "O Mio Babbino Caro" to a theme from Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 21—in arrangements for solo violin and orchestra.

Perhaps it was Bell's sweet tone, the album's interesting and approachable programming choices or the violinist's famous boy-next-door good looks that made the project such a success, but "Romance of the Violin" became a huge hit. For more than two years the album was a fixture on Billboard's classical chart.

Now the affable and perpetually boyish 38-year-old violinist returns with a follow-up mining that same vein of romantic favorites: "Voice of the Violin" arrives Sept. 5 on Sony Classical. Unlike its predecessor, this release features selections taken exclusively from the vocal music canon of opera, song and oratorio, heard in new

arrangements for solo violin and orchestra.

Bell might be a wee bit biased, he admits genially, but still confides, "I actually prefer the sound of the violin to any other instrument, including the voice." That's a pretty big admission as instrumentalists are constantly told by teachers that their ideal should be to evoke the tone and phrasing of a human singer. So going toe-to-toe with singers on such chestnuts as Schubert's "Ave Maria," Rachmaninoff's "Vocalise" and Donizetti's aria "Una Furtiva Lagrima" from the opera "L'Elisir D'amore," not to mention more unusual choices like Mexican composer Manuel Ponce's 1912 song "Estrellita," places Bell squarely in some heavy competition.

We wouldn't bet against him. Judging by the success of "Romance of the Violin," Bell's enduring popularity since his teenage stardom and a well-timed guest appearance on this new album by the soprano of the day, Anna Netrebko (joining Bell for the Richard Strauss song "Morgen!"), it seems a sure bet that this "Voice" will

be heard on the charts for some time to come.

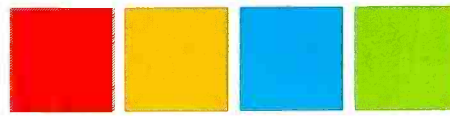
ON THE TUBE: The San Francisco Symphony and its music director Michael Tilson Thomas recently announced the launch of a nationally distributed PBS series, "Keeping Score," which will begin airing in November. (Future seasons are scheduled already for 2008 and 2010.) The first season's three episodes explore music of Beethoven, Stravinsky and Copland in three hourlong documentaries and two live-concert programs. In addition, "Keeping Score" will have a significant online component (keepingscore.org), provide an education program and professional development training for teachers in K-12 classrooms and will also encompass eight 60-minute public radio programs called "The MTT Files," hosted by Tilson Thomas and co-produced with American Public Media.

NEW & NOTEWORTHY: The DVD of last summer's Salzburg Festival mega-hit produc-



tion of Verdi's "La Traviata," starring Anna Netrebko, tenor Rolando Villazon and baritone Thomas Hampson, conducted by Carlo Rizzi (Deutsche Grammophon, June 13) . . . Two for the Mozart 250th birthday anniversary year: First, "Die Zauberflöte," conducted by Claudio Abbado with bass Rene Pape, sopranos Dorothea Roschmann and Erika Miklosa, and tenor Christoph Strehl; and also Rene Jacobs leading Mozart's "La Clemenza di Tito" with tenor Mark Padmore, soprano Alexandrina Pendatchanska and mezzo Bernarda Fink (Harmonia Mundi, Sept. 12).

REVIEWS



SPOTLIGHTS

Releases deemed by the review editors to deserve special attention on the basis of musical merit and/or *Billboard* chart potential.

ALBUMS



JOHNNY CASH
American V: A Hundred Highways
Producer: Rick Rubin
Lost Highway
Release Date: July 4

Johnny Cash saddled up one last time with Rick Rubin for the final curtain on both a career and one of the most remarkable collaborations in music history. Cash's swan song is uplifting and incredibly sad as he approaches his mortality with characteristic stoicism and courage. Perhaps the most intimate of an intimate series, "American V" puts Cash in our living room as he offers perspective on faith ("God's Gonna Cut You Down," "I Came to Believe,") death (Bruce Springsteen's "Further On [Up the Road]," "On the Evening Train") and, of course, love (Gordon Lightfoot's "If You Could Read My Mind"). A lifelong fascination with trains comes full circle with Cash's final ride, "Like the 309," said to be the last song he ever wrote. Rubin here affords Cash a graceful exit rarely seen in music.—RW



CUT CHEMIST
The Audience Listening
Producer: Cut Chemist
Warner Bros.
Release Date: July 11

Woven through with turntable wizardry, innumerable samples and a smattering of live instrumentation, former Jurassic 5 DJ Cut Chemist's solo debut expertly tows the line between old-school hip-hop homage and forward-looking experimentation. This

aurally nutritious blend tastes best on the lilted "The Garden," which imagines "Future Days"-era Can jamming with Os Mutantes, and the hazy, head-nodding "Spoon," which matches longtime pal DJ Shadow toke for toke in stoner friendliness. "2266 Cambridge" is a neighborhood drive-by set to a soulful backdrop, while hip-hop takes center stage on the humorous romantic tale "What's the Altitude" featuring Hymnal and the Eric B. & Rakim-worthy "Storm" featuring Edan and Mr. Lif. Finally, a DJ album that doesn't need big-name guests or tired gimmicks to get its music and message across.—JC



RAMBLIN' JACK ELLIOTT
I Stand Alone
Producer: Ian Brennan
Anti-
Release Date: July 11

Elliott stays the course to a satisfyingly engaging degree on this new set, which is stripped bare similar to Anti-'s recent Bettye LaVette album. Now in his 50-odd year of laying down dusty folk, Elliott really does stand alone here, applying his dust-bowl guitar and dirt-road vocals to tracks about pleasingly archetypal folk elements: trains ("Engine 143"), old dogs ("My Old Dog and Me") and lovers in various states of leaving or gone ("Honey, Where You Been So Long?"). Like a sly, old grandfather, Elliott furnishes the occasional wink ("Arthritis Blues," which is probably not a joke, come to think of it) and deferential, judicious guest turns by Lucinda Williams and Flea. But this is pure, no-frills stuff, the sound of a ragged master doing what comes so naturally.—JV

SHINE DOWN



GODSMACK **Shine Down (4:59)**
Producer: Sully Erna
Writer: S. Erna
Publishers: Universal Music Publishing/Meeengya Music (ASCAP)

Republic Records/Universal Records
Godsmack gives its sound a unique perk by whipping out a bluesy harmonica for "Shine Down." The instrument conjures images of fervent revivals in the heat of the Deep South, playing into the single's messages of hard-won sobriety and spiritual renewal, themes songwriter/singer Sully Erna has been praising after a harrowing 2005. The words "And I know I've been away too long/All these years I've been hiding/I'm feeling I'm coming strong" say it all. Erna's handle on the production makes "Shine Down" sound less canned than previous efforts, another move in the song's favor. Drummer Shannon Larkin steadily leads the way with a lot of crash, setting a determined pace you can imagine someone using as a guide to help them move forward. Pretty inspiring.—CLT



JOHN MAYER
Waiting on the World to Change (3:20)
Producers: John Mayer, Steve Jordan
Writer: J. Mayer
Publishers: Sony/ATV/Specific Harm, ASCAP
Columbia

John Mayer is already off to a blockbuster start at adult top 40 radio—No. 27—with "Waiting on the World to Change," marking his highest debut ever at the format. Unlike his Grammy Award-lauded softie signature "Daughters," "World" lobs a controversial lyric that dares to question right-wing politics and the queries surrounding the enduring war in Iraq: "When you trust your television/What you see is what you get/Cause when they own the information/They can bend it all they want." Melodically, it's still a smooth ride with Mayer's serene vocal easing the message into more of a plea than an assault. His action on the charts, however, is a different matter: No. 1 is all but a given at adult top 40 and triple-A.—CT

ALBUMS

POP

CORINNE BAILEY RAE
Corinne Bailey Rae
Producers: various
Capitol

Release Date: June 20

In March, Corinne Bailey Rae's self-titled debut landed in the top spot of the U.K. albums chart. While this feat will unlikely repeat in the United States, a debut recording as fine as this one deserves immediate attention. The Leeds native, who had a hand in writing all the album's songs, has a style that, depending on the track, recalls Rickie Lee Jones, Alicia Keys, Lizz Wright, Billie Holiday and Sia. Album opener "Like a Star" is breathtakingly beautiful and sets the tone for the delights that follow. Highlights include such funk-up jams as "Put Your Records On" and "I'd Like To," as well as the disco-kissed "Call Me When You Get This." Songs like "Breathless" and "Choux Pastry Heart" detail the ups and downs, respectively, of love. Throughout, enchantment reigns supreme.—MP

ROCK

BENEVENTO/RUSSO DUO
Play Pause Stop
Producers: Matt Chamberlain, Tom Biller
Butter Problems/
Reincarnate Music
Release Date: July 11

This is an album of cinematic scope—a mini-epic, really. Colorful head trips abound, with Marco Benevento's evocative, spiraling organ, piano and synth excursions and Joe Russo's propulsive yet elegant drum workouts tracking our two heroes across deep-space voids (the title track), Parisian street fairs ("Something for Rockets"), subterranean rock clubs ("Hate Frame") and the muddy Mississippi ("Memphis"). Guitar, bass, accordion and other noise-makers are given memorable cameos, but vocals are virtually absent, only adding to the sense of intoxication created by these acid-drenched soundscapes. But take note: There's probably more here for the brooding Arcade Fire or Tortoise fan

than the twirling neo-hippie despite the group's intermittent hooks with ex-members of Phish. Above all, the disc is a celebration of holding down the center while stretching out to touch the edges.—SV

BUTCH WALKER
The Rise and Fall of Butch Walker and the Lets Go Out Tonites
Producer: Butch Walker
Epic

Release Date: July 11

Self-consciousness is never really sexy, but producer/singer/songwriter Butch Walker is going for it anyway. Blessed with a breathtakingly self-centered title (a reference to Bowie's "Ziggy Stardust"), his third solo album marinates power-pop hooks and polished guitars in a glam-rock sauce. Like Bowie's 1972 masterpiece, "The Rise" is a concept album, albeit one about a guy in a \$10-per-drink bar, "pretty strung out for a girl" ("Bethamphetamine"). Retro-styled party starters like the Marc Bolan rip-off "Hot Girls in Good Moods" and the Bowie-esque "The Taste of Red" are slick and catchy, but feel cool and calculated. The problem is that Walker is hopelessly aware of what he's doing—he picks titles like "Song w/o Chorus" or "This Is the Sweetest Little Song"—and doesn't offer a voice that is his own.—SP

PETER GAMMONS
Never Slow Down, Never Grow Old
Producer: Mike Denneen
Rouder

Release Date: July 4

The phrase "ESPN reporter covers track from 'London Calling'" is not necessarily one that elicits great faith, but the longtime baseball guru proves he knows his stuff on this surprisingly enjoyable detour. Gammons sounds like the network's answer to John Hiatt on heartland rock covers of Warren Zevon's "Model Citizen," the Clash's "Death or Glory" and his own "She Fell From Heaven," while indulging a who-knew

blues side on "Tanqueray" and "Love's Made a Fool of You." As befits his Boston roots, Gammons enlists a roster of Red Sox past and present here: Bronson Arroyo, Tim Wakefield, Kevin Youkilis, Trot Nixon and even GM Theo Epstein show up to supply vocals and guitar as do George Thorogood, Juliana Hatfield and Letters to Cleo's Kay Hanley. Proceeds benefit Epstein's Foundation to Be Named Later.—JV

JAZZ

SKERIK'S SYNCOPATED TAINT SEPTET
Husky
Producer: Skerik
Hyena

Release Date: June 27

Skerik's new album opens with what sounds like an ominous fleet of bombers approaching overhead, superimposed by a horn-layered lament. But then the tenor-saxophone leader and his hip, tight septet bloom into a lyrical, Hammond B-3-led rhythm with electronic effects and sauntering horn lines. Add to that such contrary descriptors as trad-infused/nonconforming, swinging/shredding, soulful/skanky, sprightly/urgent, and you've got one of this year's best jazz CDs that shines from start to finish. Skerik and crew pull off the improbable—combining curiosity and freedom from constraints to record a delightfully unpredictable journey of tunes both harsh and beautiful. Highlights include "Go to Hell, Mr. Bush," where the president gets bashed by flute/Wurlitzer impressionism and horn exclamations, and the gleeful, happy-feet "Summer Pudding."—DO

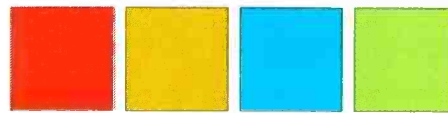
ELECTRONIC

PEACHES
Impeach My Bush
Producer: Peaches
XL Recordings

Release Date: July 11

Despite the most unsubtle title, Peaches' new album does not abandon her regular rapport of raunch for politics. Replete with references to her "pleasure dome," **continued on >>p50**

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"the shocker" and "slippery d***," Peaches remains safely inside the realm of horny electro while also offering a handful of rock tunes featuring folks like Joan Jett ("You Love It") and Josh Homme and Feist ("Give 'Er"). While part of Peaches' schtick is her repetitive, lyrical tag lines, such as "Two guys for every girl/Every girl," the latter half of the album moves away from this purely rhythmic-centered habit and into, well, songs and melodies. Her big sense of humor and little sense of shame should help keep "Impeach" in rotation for incumbent spins.—KH

FERRY CORSTEN L.E.F.

Producer: *Ferry Corsten*
Ultra Records
Release Date: *July 11*
▶ Trance is America's favorite genre of dance music, and no one makes it for the masses better than Dutchman Ferry Corsten. The prolific producer and world-touring DJ doesn't go for dramatic, string-laden opuses. Instead, he layers humming synths and punchy basslines into a giant cacophony of electronic power-pop. Hence the title of his second full-length—Loud. Electronic. Ferocious. The album's 16 glow stick-cracking tracks are nonstop and gleefully over the top, like a Bruckheimer summer blockbuster. Already a hit, "Fire" features Duran Duran's Simon LeBon crooning the ultimate raver love song in an ingenious blend that's as much dance as pop. "Beautiful" is a big wet slab of arena trance, while "Watch Out" punks out with a sped-up riff and pogo pulse. Brain food it's not, but "L.E.F." is vivid, fun and expertly constructed.—KM

FOLK

JOHN GORKA
Writing in the Margins
Producer: *Rob Genadek*
Red House
Release Date: *July 11*
★ The best singer/songwriters are often the ones who deserve wider recognition, and that includes John Gorka. His latest effort, "Writing in the Margins," is a pleasure, a deftly mixed bag of a dozen tunes, including a pair of finely wrought covers: Townes Van Zandt's "Snow Don't Fall" and Stan Rogers' "The Lockkeeper." The remaining 10 tracks offer choice moments like "When You Sing," Gorka's very cool tribute to the wondrous Mavis Staples, complete with horns. It's modern folk with a touch of soul. The title track is a poignant soldier's tale that's more personal than political, while "I Miss Everyone" has a pronounced country lilt worthy of Asleep at the Wheel and a nice backing vocal from Lucy Kaplansky. This is one of Gorka's most impressive outings.—PVV

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

CSS
Cansei De Ser Sexy
Producer: *Adriano Cintra*
Sub Pop
Release Date: *July 11*
Brazilian electro-pop group CSS has figured out two things: The Internet can get you a record deal, and everything goes better with booze. You see, Sub Pop picked up "Cansei De Ser Sexy" (Brazilian for "tired of being sexy") after the amateur dance punks garnered a sizable fan base via the Web. "Cansei De Ser Sexy" buzzes with erratic synth beats ("Alala"), wry lyrics ("Art Bitch") and Le Tigre-style shout-outs ("Patins"), plus an ode to the sextet's apparent vice of choice (the aptly titled

"Alcohol"). All the elements for a smart, catchy dance-rock album seem to be in place, but the final product still remains slightly unstructured and rehashed. Nothing CSS can't fix with a few beers, though.—JM

VITAL REISSUES

ARETHA FRANKLIN
Live at Fillmore West
Producers: *Jerry Wexler, Arif Mardin*
Rhino
Release Date: *July 11*
Aretha Franklin's three-night gig at San Francisco's Fillmore West birthed a seminal 1971 live album, reissued in 2005 as a limited, two-CD set. Commemorating its 35th anniversary, Rhino has compiled a second double-CD of the original recording (including two formerly edited tracks in their entirety) and a second disc of rare alternate versions from the now out-of-print limited edition. The revivalist vibe remains just as intense and electric as it was 35 years ago. Franklin's scorching vocals are backed by an A-list band (featuring organ wizard Billy Preston and sax virtuoso King Curtis), serving up an eclectic, rock-meets-soul menu that veers from the classic "Respect" to covers of "Bridge Over Troubled Water" and "Eleanor Rigby" that Franklin makes her own. Still worth the price of admission alone is Franklin trading electric piano and vocal stylings with Ray Charles on "Spirit in the Dark."—GM

POP

KATHARINE MCPHEE
Somewhere Over the Rainbow/My Destiny
(3:30/3:47)
Producers: *David Foster/Harry Sommerdahl, Brad Gilderman*
Writers: *various*
Publishers: *various*
RCA
Last issue, "American Idol" season five victor Taylor Hicks became the fourth series champ to top The Billboard Hot 100, as his "Do I Make You Proud" ruled at retail. Cross-format radio response for the formulaic song has been tepid, with even his Soul Patrol die-hards admitting that the song is hardly hitworthy. Runner-up Katharine McPhee's double-A-side launch single appears to be even more clearly intended as little more than a souvenir single: Original radio contender "My Destiny" has actually been demoted to track No. 2 (perhaps after "American Idol" judges all but deemed it lame) behind a studio cover of "Somewhere Over the Rainbow," which she performed multiple times on the show. Her performances? Lovely, but excruciatingly processed. Her potential? Without a particularly entrenched image, she is RCA's to mold. Which could mean all . . . or nothing.—CT

R&B

PITBULL Bojangles (3:46)
Producer: *Jonathan "Lil Jon" Smith*
Writers: *J. Smith, A. Perez*
Publishers: *Songs of TVT/Marimbero Music, BMG Music Publishing*
TVT
Pitbull's latest Lil Jon-generated club effort, "Bojangles" (the first from his upcoming sophomore album "El Mariel"), doesn't stray much from previous singles "Toma" and "Shake." But no matter, because buoyant basslines and heavy synths are in vogue (check DJ Khaled's "Holla at Me" or Lil Jon's "Snap Yo Fingers"). Like the latter cut, "Bojangles" relies more on call-outs and dance commands ("baby turn around,"

"bring it back") than lyrical finesse. But this type of song, with its energetic beat and reggaeton zest, is tailor-made for hip-hop and Latin formats. The cut is already gaining airplay on urban radio and steadily rising on Billboard's Latin Rhythmic chart.—CH

ROCK

ALIEN ANT FARM Forgive & Forget (2:59)
Producer: *Jay Baumgardner*
Writer: *Alien Ant Farm*
Publishers: *various*
El Tonal/New Door/Universal
▶ Alien Ant Farm made some noise in 2001 with debut album "ANThology," which struck platinum at least in part due to its amphetamine-charged cover of Michael Jackson's "Smooth Criminal." Five years later, the California act has weathered heavy-duty changes (injuries from a fatal bus accident, lineup shifts, its label folding), but is still plugging away with third record "Up in the Attic," due July 18. First single "Forgive & Forget" does not reference those dramas. Instead, it vents about plying a beautiful, hoity-toity girl with everything she wants ("Purses and lockets/Made out of my pocket"), only to get dumped many dollars later. Dryden Mitchell reels off the lyric like a caffeinated spoken-word artist, backed by Mike Cosgrove's hollow drums and a repetitive chord or three by guitarist Joe Hill. With summer heartbreaks around the corner, it'll give hardworking Joes something to drown in their beer with.—CLT

SYSTEM OF A DOWN Kill Rock 'n Roll (2:33)
Producers: *Rick Rubin, Daron Malakian*
Writer: *D. Malakian*
Publishers: *various*
Columbia
▶ The thinking metal fan's band, System of a Down simultaneously slices and slams into its songs—a double-edged assault. It's no different on "Kill Rock 'n Roll." A tight, clean guitar churns into

mounting drums and moans until it booms into a fast, tough track. Guitarist/singer Daron Malakian and singer Serj Tankian share duties, layering voices charged with barbs, starting with the line, "So I felt like the biggest asshole/When I killed your rock 'n roll," then take a punky shot at posers with "mow down the sexy people." It's this knack for self-awareness with humility that sets SOAD apart from its humorless, self-loathing peers. The guys do descend into their trademark gibberish with a line about eating grass that's just strange, but it's still easy to picture a venue full of kids shouting along to it. Not a bad kicker to jump-start the group again at modern rock from its "Mezmerize/Hypnotize" double album, as it preps for Ozzfest.—MB

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

SANDI THOM I Wish I Was a Punk Rocker (With Flowers In My Hair) 2:31
Producers: *Ian Brown, Stephen Darrell Smith*
Writers: *S. Thom, T. Gilbert*
Publisher: *P&P/EMI*
Columbia
★ Ending Gnarl's Barkley's brow-raising seven-week run, Scottish folk-pop newcomer Sandi Thom has already scored a No. 1 U.K. single with this naked a cappella anthem that relies on her strikingly potent pipes, sparse percussion and a lyric that commands immediate attention. "I was born too late/To a world that doesn't care," she sings with an aching, old-soul voice that suggests Janis Joplin waking up in an Internet café, dazed and confused. Born in 1981, Thom "misses" the days "When record shops were on top/And vinyl was all that they stocked/And the super info highway was still drifting out of space." Intelligent and moving, this gorgeously stripped ballad is building top 40 airplay; whether it will become a massive radio hit is unlikely, but not impossible. Nostalgia is a powerful thing.—SP

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THE HOT BOX

A WEEKLY ROUNDUP OF NOTABLE CHART ACHIEVEMENTS



OVER AND UNDER

>> With 98,000 copies sold, Vans Warped tour act Underoath bows at No. 2 on The Billboard 200. It is the best rank by a Christian album since LeAnn Rimes placed "You Light Up My Life" at No. 1. Underoath's "Define the Great Line" also enters Top Christian Albums at No. 1.

SAY 'GRACE'

>> Another Christian artist, Todd Agnew, makes a surprising bow at No. 1 on Top Pop Catalog Albums with 2003 outing "Grace Like Rain." The set's 972% gain is attributed to a \$5 sale price at Family Christian Stores, the largest chain in the Christian music market.



TASTE OF BRAZIL

>> Seu Jorge's "Cru" bullets 10-3 (up 70%) on Top World Albums after he played the Stern Grove Festival in San Francisco, with that market accounting for 40% of the title's sales. Jorge also moves 1-2 with "The Life Aquatic Studio Sessions," up by 2%.

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Over the Counter

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Furtado Scores Daily Double; Digital's Sales Boost

Even in a soft sales week, the Interscope labels and Universal Music Group Distribution (UMGD) find reasons to celebrate, a party led by the triumphant return of Nelly Furtado.



Furtado bows at No. 1 on The Billboard 200, giving hope to any artist who had trouble finding traction after a big-time freshman album. Her first set hit No. 24 on the big chart in 2001 on its way to double-platinum status but her 2003 follow-up "Folklore" had to settle for a gold certification and a chart peak of No. 38.

She also becomes the first artist since Ne-Yo, in the March 18 issue, to simultaneously lead the album chart and The Bill-

board Hot 100, as the latter sees lead track "Promiscuous" jump 3-1. Only three artists managed that feat in all of 2005: 50 Cent, Mariah Carey and Kanye West.

Aside from being her first top 10 album, the opening shot of 219,000 copies obviously represents her biggest sales week by far. Rookie set "Whoa, Nelly!" did 100,000 copies during Christmas week of 2001 and 73,000 the frame before that, marks that 2003's "Folklore" could not match.

Furtado's is one of five albums that Interscope claims among the chart's first nine slots and one of seven that UMGD holds in the top 10. She is also the third straight artist from the Interscope family to lead the big chart, following one-week turns by Busta Rhymes and AFI.

That streak might grow to four weeks next issue, as chains' first-day sales suggest Vagrant's Dashboard Confessional will open in the range of 150,000 copies. But don't ship the next bottle of champagne to Interscope just yet. At least two professional chart watchers think the new album from Universal Motown's India.Arie could roll a similar number, so we might see a tight race.

DOWN, BUT UP: Comparing album sales to those of the same week last year

starts to feel like predicting whose photo you'll see on the cover of the next issue of lifestyle magazine O. You already kind of know what the picture will look like before you look at it.

Oprah Winfrey's image greets you with every passing edition of O, and since the early going of 2006, album sales have consistently trailed those set by last year's tracking weeks, except in cases where the calendar has kicked a gift-giving occasion from one frame to another.

So, with only one album surpassing 100,000 copies, the sales week that ended June 25 lags the comparable 2005 stanza by 7.8%, which widens the year-to-date gap from 3.8% last issue to 3.9%. That slide happens despite the fact that digital album sales have more than doubled over the same period last year, from 6.2 million to 14.1 million.

Mind you, the sky isn't falling. Add the à la carte sale of digital tracks to the mix and you have a positive picture—regardless of whether you want to use 10 tracks or a larger number to calculate "track equivalent album sales"—with the track category improving by 77.3% during the first 25 weeks of the year.

Add master ringtones to the mix and the picture becomes even brighter. Performing rights organization BMI esti-

mates ringtone sales will rise from \$500 million in 2005 to \$600 million in 2006, with mastertones driving that growth. We'll have more specific metrics on that market segment when Nielsen RingScan rolls out later this summer.

That said, the album—whether sold on vinyl, tape, CD or digital download—has carried the music industry's mail since the '70s. Although music companies are shaped differently now than they were a few years ago, have they retooled sufficiently to make dollars and sense from the new realities that continue to unfold?

NEW DAY: The strong start by U.K. newcomer Corinne Bailey Rae, who defies cookie-cutter classification yet opens at No. 17 on The Billboard 200 (40,000 copies), shows how changing dynamics can yield positive results.

If you subtracted the 3,000 sales that she derives from Internet orders and digital downloads and about 5,000 copies sold at Starbucks, Bailey Rae would have fallen shy of the top 20.

Release-week visits to "Live With Regis and Kelly" and "Good Morning America" and exposure from VH1 and VH1 Soul help compensate for the lack of a large-audience radio format.

CHART BEAT

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>> Nelly Furtado is No. 1 on two continents with two "Loose" tracks. "Promiscuous" (Mosley/Geffen) is the first U.S. chart-topper for Furtado and featured artist Timbaland. Meanwhile, "Maneater" is No. 1 on the U.K. singles chart for the third week. Furtado is the first artist to have simultaneous different No. 1 songs since Usher's "Confessions Part II" ruled in the United States while "Burn" shined across the pond.

>> Fred Bronson also reports on two Motown legends who make chart returns: Smokey Robinson and Diana Ross. Plus, is George-headed Strait for No. 1, and will he eclipse Conway Twitty? Fred also bestows Hilton Honors on Paris, whose "Stars Are Blind" is the third-highest new entry of 2006 on The Billboard Hot 100.

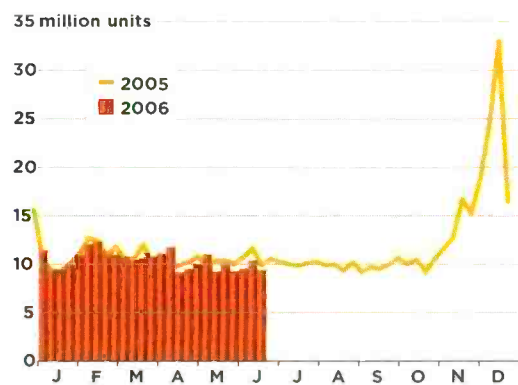
Market Watch

A Weekly National Music Sales Report

Weekly Unit Sales

	ALBUMS	STORE SINGLES	DIGITAL TRACKS
This Week	9,394,000	153,000	11,038,000
Last Week	10,406,000	253,000	10,894,000
Change	-9.7%	-39.5%	1.3%
This Week Last Year	10,193,000	259,000	6,063,000
Change	-7.8%	-40.9%	82.1%

Weekly Album Sales



Year-To-Date

	2005	2006	CHANGE
OVERALL UNIT SALES			
Albums	271,740,000	261,018,000	-3.9%
Digital Tracks	152,187,000	269,761,000	77.3%
Store Singles	2,473,000	1,886,000	-23.7%
Total	426,400,000	532,665,000	24.9%
Albums w/TEA*	286,958,700	287,994,100	0.4%

*Includes track equivalent album sales (TEA) with 10 track downloads equivalent to one album sale.

DIGITAL TRACKS SALES



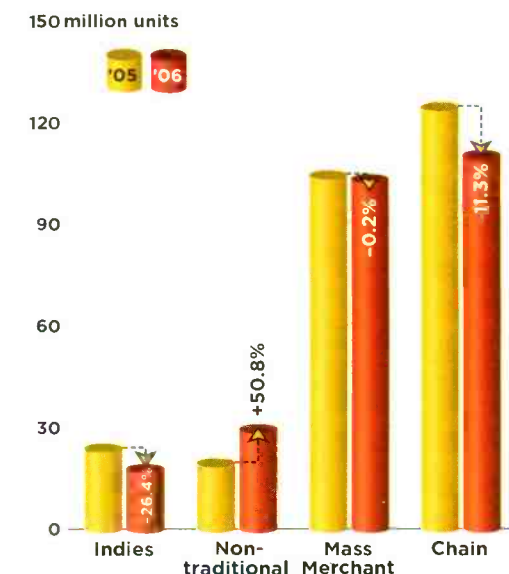
SALES BY ALBUM FORMAT

	2005	2006	CHANGE
CD	263,466,000	245,809,000	-6.7%
Digital	6,212,000	14,084,000	126.7%
Cassette	1,474,000	677,000	-54.1%
Other	588,000	448,000	-23.8%

For week ending June 25, 2006. Figures are rounded. Compiled from a national sample of retail store and rack sales reports collected and provided by

Nielsen SoundScan

Year-To-Date Album Sales By Store Type



JUL 8 2006 THE Billboard 200

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	ARTIST	Title	CERT.	PEAK POSITION
1	1	1	NELLY FURTADO MOSLEY/GEFFEN 006300/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	Loose	1	1
2	NEW	1	UNDEROATH SOLID STATE 42658*/TOOTH & NAIL (15.98) ⊕	Define The Great Line	2	2
3	2	2	DIXIE CHICKS COLUMBIA 80739/SONY MUSIC (18.98)	Taking The Long Way	1	1
4	NEW	1	KEANE INTERSCOPE 006855 (13.98)	Under The Iron Sea	4	4
5	1	2	BUSTA RHYMES AFTERMATH 006748*/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	The Big Bang	5	5
6	4	5	SOUNDTRACK WALT DISNEY 861426 (12.98)	High School Musical	2	1
7	NEW	1	FIELD MOB DTP/GEFFEN 006790*/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	Light Poles And Pine Trees	7	7
8	11	11	GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN 70003*/ATLANTIC (13.98)	St. Elsewhere	8	8
9	3	1	AFI TINY EVIL 006854*/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	Decemberunderground	9	9
10	6	7	SOUNDTRACK WALT DISNEY 861349 (18.98)	Cars	6	6
11	8	8	RASCAL FLATTS LYRIC STREET 165058/HOLLYWOOD (18.98)	Me And My Gang	11	11
12	13	9	GREATEST GAINER RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM 006165*/DJMG (13.98)	A Girl Like Me	5	5
13	7	6	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS WARNER BROS. 49996 (22.98) ⊕	Stadium Arcadium	13	13
14	9	3	YUNG JOC BLOCK/BAD BOY SOUTH 83937*/AG (18.98)	New Joc City	14	14
15	NEW	1	DONELL JONES LAFACE 52138/ZOMBA (18.98)	Journey Of A Gemini	15	15
16	15	10	VARIOUS ARTISTS UNIVERSAL EMU/SONY BMG MUSIC/ZOMBA 006201/UME (18.98)	NOW 21	16	16
17	NEW	1	CORINNE BAILEY RAE CAPITOL 66361 (12.98)	Corinne Bailey Rae	17	17
18	10	4	ICE CUBE LENCH MOB 65939 (18.98)	Laugh Now, Cry Later	18	18
19	24	21	PANIC! AT THE DISCO DECAYDANCE 077/FUELED BY RAMEN (13.98)	A Fever You Can't Sweat Out	19	19
20	17	15	SHAKIRA EPIC 81585/SONY MUSIC (18.98)	Oral Fixation Vol. 2	20	20
21	5	2	THREE DAYS GRACE JIVE 83504/ZOMBA (18.98)	One - X	21	21
22	16	13	CARRIE UNDERWOOD ARISTA/ARISTA NASHVILLE 71197/RMG (18.98)	Some Hearts	22	22
23	28	23	THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS A&M 005174/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	PCD	23	23
24	21	24	NICKELBACK ROADRUNNER 818300/DJMG (18.98)	All The Right Reasons	24	24
25	NEW	1	GUSTER REPRISE 49965/WARNER BROS. (18.98)	Ganging Up On The Sun	25	25
26	23	22	TIM MCGRAW CURB 78891 (18.98)	Greatest Hits Vol 2: Reflected	26	26
27	25	17	JAMES BLUNT CUSTARD/ATLANTIC 97250*/AG (18.98)	Back To Bedlam	27	27
28	22	14	TOOL TOOL DISSECTIONAL/VOL.CAND 81991/ZOMBA (18.98)	10,000 Days	28	28
29	33	30	THE FRAY EPIC 93931/SONY MUSIC (11.98)	How To Save A Life	29	29
30	30	18	CHAMILLIONAIRE UNIVERSAL MDTOWN 006262/UMRG (13.98)	The Sound Of Revenge	30	30
31	12	25	ANDREA BOCELLI SUGAR/DECCA 006069/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP (13.98)	Amore	31	31
32	36	32	NE-YO DEF JAM 004934*/DJMG (13.98)	In My Own Words	32	32
33	NEW	1	MADONNA WARNER BROS. 49990 (32.98 CD/DVD) ⊕	I'm Going To Tell You A Secret (Soundtrack)	33	33
34	32	26	T.I. GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC 83800*/AG (18.98) ⊕	King	34	34
35	34	20	ANGELS AND AIRWAVES SURETONE/GEFFEN 006758*/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	We Don't Need To Whisper	35	35
36	26	31	NICK LACHEY JIVE 83257/ZOMBA (18.98)	What's Left Of Me	36	36
37	20	29	TOBY KEITH SHOW DOG NASHVILLE 006270 (18.98)	White Trash With Money	37	37
38	41	34	BLUE OCTOBER UNIVERSAL MDTOWN 006262/UMRG (9.98)	Foiled	38	38
39	37	37	KT TUNSTALL RELENTLESS 50729/VIRGIN (12.98)	Eye To The Telescope	39	39
40	NEW	1	SOUNDTRACK UNIVERSAL MDTOWN 007092/UMRG (13.98)	The Fast And The Furious: Tokyo Drift	40	40
41	27	42	JOHNNY CASH LEGACY COLUMBIA (NASHVILLE)/AMERICAN/ISLAND 305288/UME (13.98)	The Legend Of Johnny Cash	41	41
42	42	36	THE WRECKERS MAVERICK/WARNER BROS. (NASHVILLE) 48960/WRN (18.98) ⊕	Stand Still, Look Pretty	42	42
43	54	46	BUCKCHERRY ELEVEN SEVEN 001 (13.98)	15	43	43
44	31	33	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN COLUMBIA 82867*/SONY MUSIC (19.98 DD) ⊕	We Shall Overcome: The Seeger Sessions	44	44
45	29	16	SOUNDTRACK RCA 8575*/RMG (18.98)	American Idol Season 5: Encores	45	45
46	18	28	ALAN JACKSON ACR/ARISTA NASHVILLE 80281/SBN (18.98)	Precious Memories	46	46
47	53	41	MARY J. BLIGE MATRIARCH/GEFFEN 005722*/INTERSCOPE (13.98/8.98)	The Breakthrough	47	47
48	45	43	KELLY CLARKSON RCA 64491/RMG (18.98)	Breakaway	48	48
49	43	49	RASCAL FLATTS LYRIC STREET 165049/HOLLYWOOD (18.98)	Feels Like Today	49	49
50	39	48	KENNY CHESNEY BNA 72960/SBN (18.98)	The Road And The Radio	50	50
51	35	35	PEARL JAM J 71467/RMG (18.98)	Pearl Jam	51	51
52	NEW	1	COUNTING CROWS GEFFEN 006969/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	New Amsterdam: Live At Heineken Music Hall February 4-6, 2003	52	52
53	68	66	HINDER UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC 005390/UMRG (9.98)	Extreme Behavior	53	53
54	RE-ENTRY	38	THREE 6 MAFIA HYPNOTIZE MINDS COLUMBIA 84400/SDNY MUSIC (18.98) ⊕	Most Known Unknown	54	54
55	52	50	KEITH URBAN CAPITOL (NASHVILLE) 77489 (18.98)	Be Here	55	55
56	65	54	THE ALL-AMERICAN REJECTS DOGHOUSE 004791/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	Move Along	56	56
57	64	53	TAKING BACK SUNDAY WARNER BROS. 49424 (18.98)	Louder Now	57	57
58	50	57	DIERKS BENTLEY CAPITOL (NASHVILLE) 66475 (18.98) ⊕	Modern Day Drifter	58	58
59	66	70	WOLFMOTHER MODULAR 041/INTERSCOPE (11.98)	Wolfmother	59	59
60	105	106	PAGE SETTER BON JOVI ISLAND 005371/DJMG (18.98) ⊕	Have A Nice Day	2	2
61	55	58	LITTLE BIG TOWN EQUITY 3010 (13.98)	The Road To Here	61	61
62	38	40	GODSMACK UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC 006548/UMRG (13.98)	IV	62	62
63	57	47	THE ISLEY BROTHERS FEATURING RONALD ISLEY DEF SOUL CLASSICS/DEF JAM 004812*/DJMG (13.98)	Baby Makin' Music	63	63
64	51	63	BRAD PAISLEY ARISTA NASHVILLE 69642/SBN (18.98)	Time Well Wasted	64	64
65	49	55	MICHAEL BUBLE 143/REPRISE 49946/WARNER BROS. (18.98) ⊕	It's Time	65	65
66	44	62	MARK KNOPFLER AND EMMYLOU HARRIS NONESUCH 44154/WARNER BROS. (18.98)	All The Roadrunning	66	66
67	56	38	DANIEL POWTER WARNER BROS. 49332 (18.98)	Daniel Powter	67	67
68	60	44	THE RACONTEURS THIRD MAN 27306*/V2 (18.98)	Broken Boy Soldiers	68	68
69	19	19	VARIOUS ARTISTS JACK/WARNER BROS. (NASHVILLE) 44252/WRN (18.98)	Blue Collar Comedy Tour: One For The Road	69	69
70	58	59	JACK JOHNSON BRUSHFIRE/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC 006116/UMRG (13.98)	Curious George (Soundtrack)	70	70
71	46	12	DJ KHALED TERROR SQUAD 4118/KDCH (17.98)	Listennn: The Album	71	71
72	14	2	BILLY JOEL COLUMBIA 85176/SONY MUSIC (23.98)	12 Gardens Live	72	72
73	67	60	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD EPIC 77515/SONY MUSIC (11.98) ⊕	Unwritten	73	73
74	80	27	VARIOUS ARTISTS SIDEONE/DUMMYY 1291 (9.98)	Vans Warped Tour 2006 Compilation	74	74
75	NEW	1	CUTE IS WHAT WE AIM FOR FUELED BY RAMEN 087 (13.98)	The Same Old Blood Rush With A New Touch	75	75
76	69	75	JOSH TURNER MCA NASHVILLE 004744/UMGN (13.98)	Your Man	76	76
77	73	64	SEAN PAUL VP/ATLANTIC 83788*/AG (18.98)	The Trinity	77	77
78	61	45	DON OMAR VI 006662/MACHETE (15.98)	King Of Kings	78	78
79	72	71	THE BLACK EYED PEAS A&M 004341*/INTERSCOPE (13.98/8.98)	Monkey Business	79	79
80	59	67	PHIL VASSAR ARISTA NASHVILLE 78729/SBN (18.98)	Greatest Hits Volume 1	80	80
81	63	51	FORT MINOR MACHINE SHOP 49388/WARNER BROS. (18.98) ⊕	The Rising Tied	81	81
82	74	81	JACK JOHNSON JACK JOHNSON/BRUSHFIRE/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC 004149*/UMRG (13.98)	In Between Dreams	82	82
83	118	127	30 SECONDS TO MARS IMMORTAL 90992/VIRGIN (12.98)	A Beautiful Lie	83	83
84	82	73	VARIOUS ARTISTS WALT DISNEY 861453 (18.98)	Disneymania 4: Music Stars Sing Disney ...Their Way!	84	84
85	75	79	GUNS N' ROSES GEFFEN 001714/INTERSCOPE (16.98)	Greatest Hits	85	85
86	40	65	PAUL SIMON WARNER BROS. 49982 (18.98)	Surprise	86	86
87	86	76	SNOW PATROL POLYDOR/A&M 006675/INTERSCOPE (13.98) ⊕	Eyes Open	87	87
88	87	91	KORN VIRGIN 45889 (18.98)	See You On The Other Side	88	88
89	90	84	CHRIS BROWN JIVE 82876/ZOMBA (18.98) ⊕	Chris Brown	89	89
90	62	72	BROOKS & DUNN ARISTA NASHVILLE 69946/SBN (18.98)	Hillbilly Deluxe	90	90
91	95	149	DADDY YANKEE EL CARTEL 007035/INTERSCOPE (12.98) ⊕	Barrio Fino: En Directo	91	91
92	47	74	NEIL YOUNG REPRISE 44335/WARNER BROS. (18.98)	Living With War	92	92
93	103	97	E-40 SICK WID IT/BME 49963/WARNER BROS. (18.98)	My Ghetto Report Card	93	93
94	92	82	EMINEM SHADY/AFTERMATH 005881*/INTERSCOPE (13.98/8.98)	Curtain Call: The Hits	94	94
95	96	86	FLYLEAF OCTONE 50005 (9.98)	Flyleaf	95	95
96	76	88	TRACE ADKINS CAPITOL (NASHVILLE) 64512 (18.98)	Songs About Me	96	96
97	102	121	DANE COOK COMEDY CENTRAL 0034 (18.98 CD/DVD) ⊕	Retaliation	97	97
98	94	85	FALL OUT BOY FUELED BY RAMEN/ISLAND 004140*/DJMG (13.98)	From Under The Cork Tree	98	98
99	88	78	AVANT MAGIC JOHNSDN/GEFFEN 006875*/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	Director	99	99
100	89	89	SUGARLAND MERCURY 002172/UMGN (13.98)	Twice The Speed Of Life	100	100

Best new artist Grammy Award nominee returns with second album, new chart peak and best sales week ever (75,000)

The U.K. singer's album, which hit No. 1 in her homeland earlier this year, bows with a handsome 40,000.

Quirky act notches its best sales week (30,000) and a new chart high. Band's tour begins July 7.

CD/DVD includes the title film and CD that acts as a live album and soundtrack; it starts with 25,000.

Three 6 Mafia re-enters at No. 54 following rerelease, while Eon Jovi jumps 105-60 after "Oprah" re-run.

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Billboard HOT 100

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HOT 100 AIRPLAY™

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)
1	1	#1 IT'S GOIN' DOWN	YUNG JOC (BLOCK/BAD BOY SOUTH/ATLANTIC)
2	4	SO WHAT	FIELD MOB FEAT. CIARA (DTP/GEFFEN)
3	5	ME & U	CASSIE (NEXT SELECTION/BAD BOY/ATLANTIC)
4	2	RIDIN'	CHAMILLIONAIRE (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)
5	3	HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FEAT. WYCLEF JEAN (EPIC)
6	6	SNAP YO FINGERS	LIL JON (BME/TVT)
7	7	PROMISCUOUS	NELLY FURTADO FEAT. TIMBALAND (MOSLEY/GEFFEN)
8	10	UNFAITHFUL	RIHANNA (SRP/DEF JAM/DJMG)
9	11	DO IT TO IT	CHERISH (SHO NUFF/CAPITOL)
10	15	DEJA VU	BEYONCE FEATURING JAY-Z (COLUMBIA)
11	12	TORN	LETOYA (CAPITOL)
12	8	GIMME THAT	CHRIS BROWN FEAT. LIL WAYNE (JIVE/ZOMBA)
13	9	WHERE'D YOU GO	FORT MINOR FEAT. HOLLY BROOK (MACHINE SHOP/WARNER BROS.)
14	13	TEMPERATURE	SEAN PAUL (VP/ATLANTIC)
15	24	CRAZY	GNARLS BARKLEY (DOWNTOWN/LAVA)
16	19	WHY YOU WANNA	T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)
17	14	BAD DAY	DANIEL POWTER (WARNER BROS.)
18	17	UNWRITTEN	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD (EPIC)
19	23	BOSSY	KELIS FEAT. TOO SHORT (JIVE/ZOMBA)
20	27	WHEN YOU GONNA (GIVE IT UP TO ME)	SEAN PAUL FEATURING KEYSHIA COLE (VP/ATLANTIC)
21	16	ENOUGH CRYIN'	MARY J. BLIGE FEAT. BROOK-LYN (MTRIARCH/GEFFEN)
22	18	WHAT'S LEFT OF ME	NICK LACHEY (JIVE/ZOMBA)
23	25	OVER MY HEAD (CABLE CAR)	THE FRAY (EPIC)
24	34	DOING TOO MUCH	PAULA DEANDA FEAT. BABY BASH (ARISTA/RMG)
25	21	BE WITHOUT YOU	MARY J. BLIGE (GEFFEN)

1,023 stations, comprised of top 40, adult contemporary, R&B/hip-hop, country, rock, gospel, Latin, and Christian formats, are electronically monitored 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This data is used to compile The Billboard Hot 100.

ADULT TOP 40™

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)
1	1	#1 BLACK HORSE & THE CHERRY TREE	KT TUNSTALL (RELENTLESS/VIRGIN)
2	2	SAVIN' ME	NICKELBACK (ROADRUNNER/DJMG)
3	4	UNWRITTEN	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD (EPIC)
4	3	BAD DAY	DANIEL POWTER (WARNER BROS.)
5	5	OVER MY HEAD (CABLE CAR)	THE FRAY (EPIC)
6	6	WALK AWAY	KELLY CLARKSON (RCA/RMG)
7	7	STAY WITH YOU	GOO GOO DOLLS (WARNER BROS.)
8	10	DANI CALIFORNIA	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS (WARNER BROS.)
9	9	UPSIDE DOWN	JACK JOHNSON (BRUSHFIRE/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC)
10	8	EVER THE SAME	ROB THOMAS (MELISMA/ATLANTIC)
11	15	CRAZY	GNARLS BARKLEY (DOWNTOWN/LAVA)
12	11	THE REAL THING	BO BICE (RCA/RMG)
13	13	HIGH	JAMES BLUNT (CUSTARD/ATLANTIC)
14	12	FOR YOU I WILL (CONFIDENCE)	TEDDY GEIGER (CRED/COLUMBIA)
15	14	WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T GO HOME	BON JOVI (ISLAND/DJMG)
16	16	WHAT'S LEFT OF ME	NICK LACHEY (JIVE/ZOMBA)
17	17	SOS	RIHANNA (SRP/DEF JAM/DJMG)
18	19	THE RIDDLE	FIVE FOR FIGHTING (AWARE/COLUMBIA)
19	18	HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FEAT. WYCLEF JEAN (EPIC)
20	20	MOVE ALONG	THE ALL-AMERICAN REJECTS (DOGHOUSE/INTERSCOPE)
21	22	HATE ME	BLUE OCTOBER (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)
22	21	JUICY	BETTER THAN EZRA (ARTEMIS/V2)
23	27	WHAT HURTS THE MOST	RASCAL FLATTS (LYRIC STREET/HOLLYWOOD)
24	24	WHERE'D YOU GO	FORT MINOR FEAT. HOLLY BROOK (MACHINE SHOP/WARNER BROS.)
25	23	NOTHING LEFT TO LOSE	MAT KEARNEY (AWARE/COLUMBIA)

ADULT CONTEMPORARY™

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)
1	1	#1 BAD DAY	DANIEL POWTER (WARNER BROS.)
2	2	YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL	JAMES BLUNT (CUSTARD/ATLANTIC)
3	5	UNWRITTEN	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD (EPIC)
4	4	YOU AND ME	LIFEHOUSE (GETTEN)
5	3	BECAUSE OF YOU	KELLY CLARKSON (RCA/RMG)
6	6	SAVE THE LAST DANCE FOR ME	MICHAEL BUBLE (143/REPRISE)
7	7	EVER THE SAME	ROB THOMAS (MELISMA/ATLANTIC)
8	8	MAKING MEMORIES OF US	KEITH URBAN (CAPITOL (NASHVILLE)/EMC)
9	9	WHAT'S LEFT OF ME	NICK LACHEY (JIVE/ZOMBA)
10	10	LIKE WE NEVER LOVED AT ALL	FAITH HILL (WARNER/CORB WARNER BROS.)
11	11	WHEN DID YOU FALL (IN LOVE WITH ME)	CHRIS RICE (INO/COLUMBIA)
12	14	PROBABLY WOULDN'T BE THIS WAY	LEANN RIMES (CORB)
13	13	ALWAYS ON YOUR SIDE	SHERYL CROW & STING (A&M/INTERSCOPE)
14	12	WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T GO HOME	BON JOVI (ISLAND/DJMG)
15	15	DO I MAKE YOU PROUD	TAYLOR HICKS (ARISTA/RMG)
16	17	THE RIDDLE	FIVE FOR FIGHTING (AWARE/COLUMBIA)
17	18	THE REAL THING	BO BICE (RCA/RMG)
18	19	WHAT HURTS THE MOST	RASCAL FLATTS (LYRIC STREET/HOLLYWOOD)
19	20	CRAZY IN LOVE	NICOL SPONBERG (CURB)
20	16	SOME HEARTS	CARRIE UNDERWOOD (ARISTA/ARISTA NASHVILLE/RMG)
21	22	BLACK HORSE & THE CHERRY TREE	KT TUNSTALL (RELENTLESS/VIRGIN)
22	21	SO LONG SELF	MERCYME (INO/COLUMBIA)
23	23	LOVE WILL COME BACK	CHICAGO (RHINO)
24	24	WALK AWAY	KELLY CLARKSON (RCA/RMG)
25	25	JESUS, TAKE THE WHEEL	CARRIE UNDERWOOD (ARISTA/ARISTA NASHVILLE/RMG)

HOT DIGITAL SONGS™

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)	CERT.
1	2	#1 PROMISCUOUS	NELLY FURTADO FEAT. TIMBALAND (MOSLEY/GEFFEN)	
2	1	HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FEAT. WYCLEF JEAN (EPIC)	
3	4	CRAZY	GNARLS BARKLEY (DOWNTOWN/LAVA)	
4	3	LIFE IS A HIGHWAY	RASCAL FLATTS (LYRIC STREET)	
5	7	AIN'T NO OTHER MAN	CHRISTINA AGUILERA (RCA/RMG)	
6	6	RIDIN'	CHAMILLIONAIRE FEAT. KRATZIE BONE (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	
7	8	UNFAITHFUL	RIHANNA (SRP/DEF JAM/DJMG)	
8	5	IT'S GOIN' DOWN	YUNG JOC (BLOCK/BAD BOY SOUTH/ATLANTIC)	
9	10	OVER MY HEAD (CABLE CAR)	THE FRAY (EPIC)	2
10	-	STARS ARE BLIND	PARIS HILTON (WARNER BROS.)	
11	9	DANI CALIFORNIA	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS (WARNER BROS.)	
12	15	ME & U	CASSIE (NEXT SELECTION/BAD BOY/ATLANTIC)	
13	14	BUTTONS	THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS FEAT. SNOOP DOGG (A&M/INTERSCOPE)	
14	12	I WRITE SINS NOT TRAGEDIES	PANIC! AT THE DISCO (DECA/DANCE/FUELED BY RAMEN/LAVA)	
15	13	WHERE'D YOU GO	FORT MINOR FEAT. HOLLY BROOK (MACHINE SHOP/WARNER BROS.)	
16	11	BAD DAY	DANIEL POWTER (WARNER BROS.)	5
17	16	SOS	RIHANNA (SRP/DEF JAM/DJMG)	
18	19	SNAP YO FINGERS	LIL JON (BME/TVT)	
19	18	DO I MAKE YOU PROUD	TAYLOR HICKS (J/RMG)	
20	20	MOVE ALONG	THE ALL-AMERICAN REJECTS (DOGHOUSE/INTERSCOPE)	
21	17	MISS MURDER	AFI (TINY EVIL/INTERSCOPE)	
22	48	SO WHAT	FIELD MOB FEAT. CIARA (DTP/GEFFEN)	
23	21	TEMPERATURE	SEAN PAUL (VP/ATLANTIC)	3
24	22	WHAT'S LEFT OF ME	NICK LACHEY (JIVE/ZOMBA)	
25	23	BLACK HORSE & THE CHERRY TREE	KT TUNSTALL (RELENTLESS/VIRGIN)	

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)	CERT.
26	27	BOSSY	KELIS FEAT. TOO SHORT (JIVE/ZOMBA)	
27	25	UNWRITTEN	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD (EPIC)	5
28	26	SAVIN' ME	NICKELBACK (ROADRUNNER/DJMG)	
29	24	MS. NEW BOOTY	BUBBA SPARKS (NEW SOUTH/PURPLE RIBBON/VIRGIN)	
30	28	GIMME THAT	CHRIS BROWN FEAT. LIL WAYNE (JIVE/ZOMBA)	
31	29	WHAT HURTS THE MOST	RASCAL FLATTS (LYRIC STREET)	
32	35	DO IT TO IT	CHERISH (SHO NUFF/CAPITOL)	
33	32	WALK AWAY	KELLY CLARKSON (RCA/RMG)	
34	30	YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL	JAMES BLUNT (CUSTARD/ATLANTIC)	6
35	31	NOT READY TO MAKE NICE	DIXIE CHICKS (COLUMBIA)	
36	33	EVERYTIME WE TOUCH	CASCADA (ROBBINS)	2
37	50	SINGLE	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD (EPIC)	
38	41	HATE ME	BLUE OCTOBER (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	
39	40	WHY YOU WANNA	T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)	
40	42	WHEN THE STARS GO BLUE	TIM MCGRAW (CURB)	
41	37	SUMMERTIME	KENNY CHESNEY (BNA)	
42	34	WHAT YOU KNOW	T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)	
43	46	MAKEDAMNSURE	TAKING BACK SUNDAY (WARNER BROS.)	
44	70	CRAZY BITCH	BUCKCHERRY (ELEVEN SEVEN/LAVA)	
45	43	BREATHE (2 AM)	ANNA NALICK (COLUMBIA)	3
46	39	PUMP IT	THE BLACK EYED PEAS (A&M/INTERSCOPE)	
47	38	LEAN WIT IT, ROCK WIT IT	DEM FRANCHIZE BOYZ (SO SO DELI/VIRGIN)	
48	45	HOW TO SAVE A LIFE	THE FRAY (EPIC)	
49	47	DON'T CHA	THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS (A&M/INTERSCOPE)	
50	62	ANIMAL I HAVE BECOME	THREE DAYS GRACE (JIVE/ZOMBA)	

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)	CERT.
51	53	WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T GO HOME	BON JOVI (ISLAND/DJMG)	
52	49	FOR YOU I WILL (CONFIDENCE)	TEDDY GEIGER (CRED/COLUMBIA)	
53	44	SHAKE	YING YANG TWINS FEAT. PITBULL (COLLIPARK/TVT)	
54	51	CHASING CARS	SNOW PATROL (POLYDOR/A&M/INTERSCOPE)	
55	-	IS IT ANY WONDER?	KEANE (INTERSCOPE)	
56	52	THE ADVENTURE	ANGELS AND AIRWAVES (SURETONE/GEFFEN)	
57	-	HANGING ON	CHEYENNE KIMBALL (DAYLIGHT/EPIC)	
58	-	U AND DAT	E-40 FEAT. T-PAIN & KANDI GIRL (SICK WID' IT/BME/REPRISE)	
59	60	UPSIDE DOWN	JACK JOHNSON (BRUSHFIRE/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC)	
60	36	I LOVE MY B****	BUSTA RHYMES FEAT. WILL I AM & KELIS (AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE)	
61	64	TAKIN' IT TO THE STREETS	TAYLOR HICKS (RCA/SRMG)	
62	59	DIRTY LITTLE SECRET	THE ALL-AMERICAN REJECTS (DOGHOUSE/INTERSCOPE)	5
63	73	SOMEWHERE ONLY WE KNOW	KEANE (INTERSCOPE)	
64	57	MY HUMPS	THE BLACK EYED PEAS (A&M/INTERSCOPE)	
65	61	GET LOW	LIL JON (BME/TVT)	
66	71	LEAVE THE PIECES	THE WRECKERS (AMERICA/WARNER BROS. (NASHVILLE)/AWRN)	
67	66	LET U GO	ASHLEY PARKER ANGEL (BLACKGROUND/UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	
68	55	JESUS, TAKE THE WHEEL	CARRIE UNDERWOOD (ARISTA/ARISTA NASHVILLE)	
69	72	ME AND MY GANG	RASCAL FLATTS (LYRIC STREET)	
70	-	DOING TOO MUCH	PAULA DEANDA FEAT. BABY BASH (ARISTA/RMG)	
71	63	BEEP	THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS FEAT. WILL I AM (A&M/INTERSCOPE)	
72	69	PHOTOGRAPH	NICKELBACK (ROADRUNNER/DJMG)	2
73	65	SHAKE THAT	EMINEM FEAT. NATE DOGG (SHADY/AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE)	
74	-	COMING UNDONE	KORN (VIRGIN)	
75	58	GIRL NEXT DOOR	SAVING PRIVATE JANE (TOUCAN COVE/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC)	

MODERN ROCK™

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)	HIT PREDICT
1	1	#1 DANI CALIFORNIA	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS (WARNER BROS.)	★
2	2	STEADY AS SHE GOES	THE RACONTEURS (THIRD MAN/V2)	
3	3	MISS MURDER	AFI (TINY EVIL/INTERSCOPE)	
4	4	VICARIOUS	TOOL (TOOL DISSECTIONAL/VOLCANO/ZOMBA)	
5	7	ANIMAL I HAVE BECOME	THREE DAYS GRACE (JIVE/ZOMBA)	
6	5	THE ADVENTURE	ANGELS AND AIRWAVES (SURETONE/GEFFEN)	
7	6	HATE ME	BLUE OCTOBER (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	
8	8	CRAZY	GNARLS BARKLEY (DOWNTOWN/LAVA)	
9	9	MAKEDAMNSURE	TAKING BACK SUNDAY (WARNER BROS.)	
10	10	WOMAN	WOLFMOTHER (MODULAR/INTERSCOPE)	
11	13	THE KILL (BURY ME)	30 SECONDS TO MARS (IMMORTIAL/VIRGIN)	
12	12	LIFE WASTED	PEARL JAM (J/RMG)	★
13	15	CRAZY BITCH	BUCKCHERRY (ELEVEN SEVEN/LAVA)	
14	16	COMING UNDONE	KORN (VIRGIN)	
15	14	PARALYZED	ROCK KILLS KID (REPRISE)	
16	18	ROOFTOPS (A LIBERATION BROADCAST)	LOSTPROPHETS (COLUMBIA)	★
17	19	THE DIARY OF JANE	BREAKING BENJAMIN (HOLLYWOOD)	★
18	11	I DARE YOU	SHINEDOWN (ATLANTIC)	
19	21	DON'T WAIT	DASHBOARD CONFESSIOANAL (VAGRANT/INTERSCOPE)	★
20	25	I WRITE SINS NOT TRAGEDIES	PANIC! AT THE DISCO (DECA/DANCE/FUELED BY RAMEN/LAVA)	★
21	22	HANDS OPEN	SNOW PATROL (POLYDOR/A&M/INTERSCOPE)	
22	23	THESE THINGS	SHE WANTS REVENGE (IMPERFECT/KISS/FLAWLESS/GEFFEN)	★
23	17	I BET YOU LOOK GOOD ON THE DANCEFLOOR	ARCTIC MONKEYS (DUMMO)	
24	27	THROUGH GLASS	STONE ISOUR (ROADRUNNER/DJMG)	
25	37	KNIGHTS OF CYDONIA	MUSE (TASTE MEDIA/WARNER BROS.)	

POP 100

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1	1	9	#1 PROMISCUOUS	NELLY FURTADO FEAT. TIMBALAND (MOSLEY/GEFFEN)
2	2	18	HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FEAT. WYCLEF JEAN (EPIC)
3	3	10	DO I MAKE YOU PROUD	TAYLOR HICKS (ARISTA/RMG)
4	4	18	RIDIN'	CHAMILLIONAIRE FEAT. KRAYZIE BONE (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)
5	6	10	UNFAITHFUL	RIHANNA (SRP/DEF JAM/DJMG)
6	8	4	AIN'T NO OTHER MAN	CHRISTINA AGUILERA (RCA/RMG)
7	11	11	ME & U	CASSIE (NEXT SELECTION/BAD BOY/ATLANTIC)
8	7	8	CRAZY	GNARLS BARKLEY (DOWNTOWN/LAVA)
9	5	13	WHERE'D YOU GO	FORT MINOR (MACHINE SHOP/WARNER BROS.)
10	12	21	OVER MY HEAD (CABLE CAR)	THE FRAY (EPIC)
11	9	4	LIFE IS A HIGHWAY	RASCAL FLATTS (WALT DISNEY/LYRIC STREET)
12	14	21	I WRITE SINS NOT TRAGEDIES	PANIC! AT THE DISCO (DECA/DANCE/FUELED BY RAMEN/LAVA)
13	13	22	SOS	RIHANNA (SRP/DEF JAM/DJMG)
14	18	11	BUTTONS	THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS FEAT. SNOOP DOGG (A&M/INTERSCOPE)
15	43	3	STARS ARE BLIND	PARIS HILTON (WARNER BROS.)
16	15	18	WHAT'S LEFT OF ME	NICK LACHEY (JIVE/ZOMBA)
17	17	4	IT'S GOIN' DOWN	YUNG JOC (BLOCK/BAD BOY SOUTH/ATLANTIC)
18	19	22	MOVE ALONG	THE ALL-AMERICAN REJECTS (DOGHOUSE/INTERSCOPE)
19	10	20	BAD DAY	DANIEL POWTER (WARNER BROS.)
20	16	25	TEMPERATURE	SEAN PAUL (VP/ATLANTIC)
21	23	9	SO WHAT	FIELD MOB FEAT. CIARA (DTP/GEFFEN)
22	20	12	DANI CALIFORNIA	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS (WARNER BROS.)
23	22	35	UNWRITTEN	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD (EPIC)
24	21	13	SAVIN' ME	NICKELBACK (ROADRUNNER/IDJMG)
25	24	8	SNAP YO FINGERS	LIL JON FEAT. E-40 & SEAN PAUL OF THE YOUNGBLOODZ (BME/TVT)
26	25	12	GIMME THAT	CHRIS BROWN FEAT. LIL' WAYNE (JIVE/ZOMBA)
27	26	18	WALK AWAY	KELLY CLARKSON (RCA/RMG)
28	27	10	MS. NEW BOOTY	BUBBA SPAROOK (NEW SOUTH/PURPLE RIBBON/VIRGIN)
29	32	3	DOING TOO MUCH	PAULA DEANDA FEAT. BABY BASH (ARISTA/RMG)
30	30	6	BLACK HORSE & THE CHERRY TREE	KT TUNSTALL (RELENTLESS/VIRGIN)
31	35	3	DO IT TO IT	CHERISH FEAT. SEAN PAUL OF THE YOUNGBLOODZ (SHOWNUFF/CAPITOL)
32	34	3	BOSSY	KELIS FEAT. TOD SHORT (JIVE/ZOMBA)
33	28	1	MISS MURDER	AFI (TINY EVIL/INTERSCOPE)
34	33	13	LET U GO	ASHLEY PARKER ANGEL (BLACKGROUND/UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)
35	31	15	BREATHE (2 AM)	ANNA NALICK (COLUMBIA)
36	45	1	WHEN YOU GONNA (GIVE IT UP TO ME)	SEAN PAUL FEAT. KEYS-HIA COLE (VP/ATLANTIC)
37	44	2	DEJA VU	BEYONCE FEAT. JAY-Z (COLUMBIA)
38	39	7	SINGLE	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD (EPIC)
39	37	11	WHAT HURTS THE MOST	RASCAL FLATTS (LYRIC STREET)
40	38	21	BE WITHOUT YOU	MARY J. BLIGE (GEFFEN)
41	49	1	HATE ME	BLUE OCTOBER (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)
42	36	11	WHAT YOU KNOW	T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)
43	42	18	WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T GO HOME	BON JOVI (ISLAND/IDJMG)
44	40	9	NOT READY TO MAKE NICE	DIXIE CHICKS (COLUMBIA)
45	50	10	CROWDED	JEANNIE ORTEGA FEAT. PAPOOSE (HOLLYWOOD)
46	41	23	FOR YOU I WILL (CONFIDENCE)	TEDDY GEIGER (CRED./COLUMBIA)
47	52	6	WHY YOU WANNA	T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)
48	46	24	LEAN WIT IT, ROCK WIT IT	DEM FRANCHIZE BOYZ (EO SO DEF/VIRGIN)
49	48	29	SHAKE THAT	EMINEM FEAT. NATE DOGG (SHADY/AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE)
50	56	13	WHEN THE STARS GO BLUE	TIM MCGRAW (CURB)

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51	54	7	SUMMERTIME	KENNY CHESNEY (BNA)
52	75	3	U AND DAT	E-40 FEAT. T-PAIN & KANDI GIRL (SICK WID IT/BME/REPRISE)
53	60	10	MAKEDAMNSURE	TAKING BACK SUNDAY (WARNER BROS.)
54	51	30	GIRL NEXT DOOR	SAVING JANE (TOUCAN COVE/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC)
55	76	11	CRAZY BITCH	BUCKCHERRY (ELEVEN SEVEN/LAVA)
56	53	28	BEEP	THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS FEAT. WILL.I.AM (A&M/INTERSCOPE)
57	57	6	CHASING CARS	SNOW PATROL (POLYOR/A&M/INTERSCOPE)
58	59	14	HOW TO SAVE A LIFE	THE FRAY (EPIC)
59	94	2	HANGING ON	CHEYENNE KIMBALL (DAYLIGHT/EPIC)
60	68	5	ANIMAL I HAVE BECOME	THREE DAYS GRACE (JIVE/ZOMBA)
61	47	4	I LOVE MY B****	BUSTA RHYMES FEAT. WILLIAM & KELIS (AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE)
62	66	24	UPSIDE DOWN	JACK JOHNSON (BRUSHFIRE/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC)
63	-	2	IS IT ANY WONDER?	KEANE (INTERSCOPE)
64	62	11	THE ADVENTURE	ANGELS AND AIRWAVES (SURETONE/GEFFEN)
65	79	3	GALLERY	MARIO VAZQUEZ (ARISTA/RMG)
66	71	4	TAKIN' IT TO THE STREETS	TAYLOR HICKS (RCA/S/RMG)
67	69	11	STAY WITH YOU	GOO GOD DOLLS (WARNER BROS.)
68	77	5	LEAVE THE PIECES	THE WRECKERS (MAVERICK/WARNER BROS. (NASHVILLE)/WRN)
69	61	14	A LITTLE LESS SIXTEEN CANDLES, A LITTLE MORE TOUCH ME	FALL OUT BOY (FUELED BY RAMEN/ISLAND/IDJMG)
70	55	25	ROMPE	DADDY YANKEE (EL CARTEL/INTERSCOPE)
71	78	5	ME AND MY GANG	RASCAL FLATTS (LYRIC STREET)
72	58	9	SAY I	CHRISTINA MILIAN FEAT. YOUNG JEEZY (ISLAND/IDJMG)
73	-	1	COMING UNDONE	KORN (VIRGIN)
74	-	1	CALL ON ME	JANET DUET WITH NELLY (VIRGIN)
75	-	1	A PUBLIC AFFAIR	JESSICA SIMPSON (EPIC)
76	81	2	REAL GONE	SHERYL CROW (WALT DISNEY)
77	10	10	THE REAL THING	BO BICE (RCA/RMG)
78	84	28	TOUCH IT	BUSTA RHYMES (AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE)
79	74	17	WHEN YOU'RE MAD	NE-YO (DEF JAM/IDJMG)
80	80	5	WANTED DEAD OR ALIVE	CHRIS DAUGTRY (RCA/S/RMG)
81	72	8	AND SHE SAID...	LUCAS PRATA (ULTRA)
82	65	3	HOLLA AT ME	DJ KHALED (TEPDR SQUAD/KOCH)
83	73	29	SO SICK	NE-YO (DEF JAM/IDJMG)
84	90	4	KICK PUSH	LUPE FIASCO (1ST & 15TH/ATLANTIC)
85	70	10	GETTIN' SOME	SHAWNNA (DTP/DEF JAM/IDJMG)
86	87	4	BEST OF BOTH WORLDS	HANNAH MONTANA (WALT DISNEY)
87	83	11	SETTLE FOR A SLOWDOWN	DIERS BENTLEY (CAPITOL (NASHVILLE))
88	89	3	THE WORLD	BRAD PAISLEY (ARISTA NASHVILLE)
89	100	6	I DARE YOU	SHINEDOWN (ATLANTIC)
90	84	14	GIRL	PAUL WALL (SWISHHOUSE/ASYLUM/ATLANTIC)
91	85	11	CONTROL MYSELF	LL COOL J FEAT. JENNIFER LOPEZ (DEF JAM/IDJMG)
92	88	27	EVER THE SAME	ROB THOMAS (MELISMA/ATLANTIC)
93	91	26	I'M N LUV (WIT A STRIPPER)	T-PAIN FEAT. MIKE JONES (KONVICT MUZIK/JIVE/ZOMBA)
94	86	5	ONE	MARY J. BLIGE AND UZ (MATRIARCH/GEFFEN)
95	93	5	RIDIN' RIMS	DEM FRANCHIZE BOYZ (EO SO DEF/VIRGIN)
96	-	1	SEXY LOVE	NE-YO (DEF JAM/IDJMG)
97	97	8	STEADY, AS SHE GOES	THE RACONTEURS (THIRD MAN/V2)
98	95	4	HIGH	JAMES BLUNT (CUSTARD/ATLANTIC)
99	-	1	SWING	TRACE ADKINS (CAPITOL (NASHVILLE))
100	96	21	STUPID GIRLS	PINK (LAFACE/ZOMBA)

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1	1	19	#1 HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FEAT. WYCLEF JEAN (EPIC)	☆
2	4	9	PROMISCUOUS	NELLY FURTADO FEAT. TIMBALAND (MOSLEY/GEFFEN)	
3	2	13	WHERE'D YOU GO	FORT MINOR (MACHINE SHOP/WARNER BROS.)	
4	5	11	UNFAITHFUL	RIHANNA (SRP/DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
5	12	12	RIDIN'	CHAMILLIONAIRE (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	
6	12	12	ME & U	CASSIE (NEXT SELECTION/BAD BOY/ATLANTIC)	
7	6	19	WHAT'S LEFT OF ME	NICK LACHEY (JIVE/ZOMBA)	☆
8	12	14	OVER MY HEAD (CABLE CAR)	THE FRAY (EPIC)	
9	13	7	I WRITE SINS NOT TRAGEDIES	PANIC! AT THE DISCO (DECA/DANCE/FUELED BY RAMEN/LAVA)	☆
10	8	22	TEMPERATURE	SEAN PAUL (VP/ATLANTIC)	
11	11	15	MOVE ALONG	THE ALL-AMERICAN REJECTS (DOGHOUSE/INTERSCOPE)	☆
12	15	4	AIN'T NO OTHER MAN	CHRISTINA AGUILERA (RCA/RMG)	☆
13	9	22	SOS	RIHANNA (SRP/DEF JAM/IDJMG)	
14	14	11	SO WHAT	FIELD MOB FEAT. CIARA (DTP/GEFFEN)	
15	18	6	BUTTONS	THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS (A&M/INTERSCOPE)	
16	10	17	BAD DAY	DANIEL POWTER (WARNER BROS.)	☆
17	17	33	UNWRITTEN	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD (EPIC)	☆
18	16	18	SAVIN' ME	NICKELBACK (ROADRUNNER/IDJMG)	☆
19	20	8	DOING TOO MUCH	PAULA DEANDA FEAT. BABY BASH (ARISTA/RMG)	
20	22	2	DEJA VU	BEYONCE FEATURING JAY-Z (COLUMBIA)	
21	19	28	WALK AWAY	KELLY CLARKSON (RCA/RMG)	☆
22	25	3	STARS ARE BLIND	PARIS HILTON (WARNER BROS.)	
23	30	3	CRAZY	GNARLS BARKLEY (DOWNTOWN/LAVA)	
24	21	9	GIMME THAT	CHRIS BROWN FEAT. LIL' WAYNE (JIVE/ZOMBA)	
25	29	5	WHEN YOU GONNA (GIVE IT UP TO ME)	SEAN PAUL FEATURING KEYS-HIA COLE (VP/ATLANTIC)	

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HOT SINGLES SALES

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)
1	1	3	#1 DO I MAKE YOU PROUD/TAKIN' IT TO THE STREETS	TAYLOR HICKS (ARISTA/RMG)
2	6	7	ME & U	CASSIE (NEXT SELECTION/BAD BOY/ATLANTIC)
3	2	7	PROMISCUOUS	NELLY FURTADO FEAT. TIMBALAND (MOSLEY/GEFFEN)
4	3	19	SISTER	SCOUNDREL SQUAD FEAT. BUN-B (INVISIBLE)
5	4	4	GET TOGETHER	MADONNA (WARNER BROS.)
6	5	12	EVERY DAY IS EXACTLY THE SAME	NINE INCH NAILS (NOTHING/INTERSCOPE)
7	8	8	IT'S GOIN' DOWN	YUNG JOC (BLOCK/BAD BOY SOUTH/ATLANTIC)
8	11	6	DO IT TO IT	CHERISH FEAT. SEAN PAUL OF THE YOUNGBLOODZ (SHOWNUFF/CAPITOL)
9	25	4	BACK AND FORTH	UNIFIED TRIBE (MAGIC MUIZK/IAM)
10	-	1	NUMBER ONE	PHARRELL FEAT. KANYE WEST (STAR TRAK/INTERSCOPE)
11	-	1	ENOUGH CRYIN	MARY J. BLIGE FEAT. BROOK-LYN (MATRIARCH/GEFFEN)
12	14	18	SORRY	MADONNA (WARNER BROS.)
13	37	2	REGRETS	HEAVEN DAVIS (WILDCHILLO DAVIS)
14	24	16	STRAIGHT TO VIDEO	MINDLESS SELF INDULGENCE (METROPOLIS)
15	17	6	BUTTONS	THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS FEAT. SNOOP DOGG (A&M/INTERSCOPE)
16	10	54	INSIDE YOUR HEAVEN/VEHICLE	BO BICE (RCA/RMG)
17	-	1	SOLDIER SONG	SAPD (TEE-N-TEE)
18	16	29	I AM NOT MY HAIR	INDIA ARIE (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)
19	-	1	SYMPHONY OF BROTHERHOOD	MIRI BEN-ARI (MIRIMODE PRODUCTIONS/STREET PRIDE)
20	42	4	SWALLOW YOUR FEARS	STATE OF MAM (POLYPLAT)
21	15	21	HEAD LIKE A HOLE	NINE INCH NAILS (RYKODISC)
22	9	4	I LOVE MY B****/NEW YORK S****	BUSTA RHYMES (AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE)
23	20	10	PICK IT UP	K'PRIS (OPHIR)
24	45	4	KICK PUSH	LUPE FIASCO (1ST & 15TH/ATLANTIC)
25	-	1	GET EM GOT EM	WILLIE JOE (WATABOY)

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ARTIST/Title/Label/(Score) Chart Rank

POP 100 AIRPLAY

THE ALL-AMERICAN REJECTS
Move Along INTERSCOPE (66.9) 11
CHRISTINA AGUILERA Ain't No Other Man RMG (76.3) 12
☆ RASCAL FLATTS
What Hurts The Most HOLLYWOOD (83.7) -
PINK Who Knew ZOMBA (70.3) -
☆ TEDDY GEIGER These Walls COLUMBIA (68.3) -
CASCADIA Miracle ROBBINS (66.5) -

ADULT TOF 40

BO BICE The Real Thing RMG (75.7) 12
RASCAL FLATTS What Hurts The Most HOLLYWOOD (75.1) 23

ADULT CONTEMPORARY

BON JOVI Who Says You Can't Go Home IDJMG (75.7) 14
FIVE FOR FIGHTING The Riddle COLUMBIA (65.3) 16
BO BICE The Real Thing RMG (75.8) 17
RASCAL FLATTS
What Hurts The Most HOLLYWOOD (89.6) 18
KT TUNSTALL
Black Horse & The Cherry Tree VIRGIN (75.7) 21
MERCURY Sc Long Neck COLUMBIA (69.5) 22

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PEARL JAM Life Wasted RMG (58.0) 12
LOSTPROPHETS Rooftops COLUMBIA (55.5) 16
BREAKING BENJAMIN
The Diary Of Jane HOLLYWOOD (56.8) 17
DASHBOARD CONFESSIONAL
Don't Wait INTERSCOPE (53.1) 19
PANIC AT THE DISCO
I Write Sins Not Tragedies FUELED BY RAMEN (58.2) 20
SHE WANTS REVENGE These Things GEFFEN (57.2) 20
RISE AGAINST Ready To Fall GEFFEN (58.7) 30
HOBBASTANK Inside Of You IDJMG (58.0) 32
RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS
Tell Me Baby WARNER BROS. (69.0) 39
DEATH CAB FOR CUTIE
I Will Follow You In The Dark ATLANTIC (65.5) -
☆ FLY-LEAF Fully Alive RMG (62.8) -
☆ BULLETS FOR MY VALENTINE
Tears Don't Fall ZOMBA (63.8) -
☆ CROSSFADE Invincible COLUMBIA (63.1) -

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TOP R&B/HIP-HOP ALBUMS

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	ARTIST	Title	CERT.	PEAK POSITION
1	HOT SHOT DEBUT	1	#1 DONELL JONES LAFACE 52138/ZOMBA (18.98)	Journey Of A Gemini		1
2	NEW	1	FIELD MOB DTP/GEFFEN 006790*/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	Light Poles And Pine Trees		1
3	1	3	BUSTA RHYMES AFTERMATH 006748*/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	The Big Bang		1
4	3	3	YUNG JOC BLOCK/BAD BOY SOUTH 83937*/AG (18.98)	New Joc City		1
5	2	3	ICE CUBE LENCH MOB 65939 (18.98)	Laugh Now, Cry Later		1
6	6	9	RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM 006165*/IDJMG (13.98)	A Girl Like Me		1
7	4	7	GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN 70003*/ATLANTIC (13.98)	St. Elsewhere		1
8	8	17	NE-YO DEF JAM 004934*/IDJMG (13.98)	In My Own Words		1
9	7	7	THE ISLEY BROTHERS FEATURING RONALD ISLEY DEF SOUL CLASSICS/DEF JAM 004812*/IDJMG (13.98)	Baby Makin' Music		1
10	14	14	T.I. GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC 83800*/AG (18.98) ⊕	King		1
11	3	3	DJ KHALED TERROR SQUAD 4118/KOCH (17.98)	Listennn: The Album		1
12	56	39	GREATEST GAINER THREE 6 MAFIA HYPNOTIZE MINDS/COLUMBIA 84400/SONY MUSIC (18.98) ⊕	Most Known Unknown		1
13	11	28	MARY J. BLIGE MATRIARCH/GEFFEN 005722*/INTERSCOPE (13.98/8.98)	The Breakthrough		1
14	10	31	CHAMILLIONAIRE UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 005423*/UMRG (13.98)	The Sound Of Revenge		2
15	13	7	TEENA MARIE CASH MONEY CLASSICS/UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 006468/UMRG (13.98)	Sapphire		3
16	14	9	AVANT MAGIC JOHNSON/GEFFEN 005875*/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	Director		1
17	NEW	1	VARIOUS ARTISTS VP 1759* (16.98 CD/DVD) ⊕	Reggae Gold 2006		17
18	NEW	1	SMOKEY ROBINSON NEW DDDR 006641/UME (13.98)	Timeless Love		18
19	7	7	CAM'RON DIPLOMATIC MAN 68589/ASYLUM (18.98)	Killa Season		1
20	15	7	JAGGED EDGE COLUMBIA 93616/SONY MUSIC (18.98)	Jagged Edge		2
21	20	5	YO GOTTI MOUTH OF THE SOUTH/INEVITABLE 2680*/TVT (17.98)	Back 2 Da Basics		5
22	19	15	E-40 SICK WID' IT/BME 49963/WARNER BROS. (18.98)	My Ghetto Report Card		1
23	NEW	1	SOUNDTRACK UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 007092/UMRG (13.98)	The Fast And The Furious: Tokyo Drift		1
24	17	30	CHRIS BROWN JIVE 82876/ZOMBA (18.98) ⊕	Chris Brown		1
25	1	20	DEM FRANCHIZE BOYZ SO SO DEF 53423*/VIRGIN (18.98) ⊕	On Top Of Our Game		2
26	22	12	VARIOUS ARTISTS UNIVERSAL/EMI/SONY BMG MUSIC/ZOMBA 006201/UME (18.98)	NOW 21		1
27	18	21	HEATHER HEADLEY RCA 64492/RMG (18.98) ⊕	In My Mind		2
28	16	28	JAMIE FOXX J 71779*/RMG (18.98) ⊕	Unpredictable		2
29	29	29	LIL WAYNE CASH MONEY/UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 005124*/UMRG (13.98)	Tha Carter II		1
30	24	39	SEAN PAUL VP/ATLANTIC 83788*/AG (18.98)	The Trinity		1
31	30	12	BUBBA SPARXXX NEW SOUTH/PURPLE RIBBON 47163*/VIRGIN (18.98)	The Charm		1
32	23	9	MOBB DEEP G-UNIT 006376*/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	Blood Money		1
33	18	6	CHRISTINA MILIAN ISLAND 006481*/IDJMG (13.98)	So Amazin'		1
34	28	14	URBAN MYSTIC SOBE 49998/WARNER BROS. (13.98)	Ghetto Revelations: II		28
35	16	6	UNCLE LUKE LUKE 11120/URBAN BOX OFFICE (11.98)	My Life & Freaky Times		35
36	25	18	FORT MINOR MACHINE SHOP 49388/WARNER BROS. (18.98) ⊕	The Rising Tied		25
37	31	28	ANTHONY HAMILTON SD SO DEF 74278/ZOMBA (18.98)	Ain't Nobody Worryin'		4
38	32	53	KEYSHIA COLE A&M 003554*/INTERSCOPE (13.98)	The Way It Is		1
39	27	11	LL COOL J DEF JAM 006158*/IDJMG (13.98)	Todd Smith		1
40	38	38	KIRK FRANKLIN FO YO SOUL/GOSPO CENTRIC 71019/ZOMBA (18.98)	Hero		1
41	43	5	DA MUZICIANZ COLLIPARK 2800*/TVT (17.98)	Da Muzicianz		20
42	50	84	BONE THUGS-N-HARMONY RUTHLESS 25423 (18.98)	Greatest Hits		30
43	39	40	RAHEEM DEVAUGHN JIVE 53723/ZOMBA (11.98)	The Love Experience		1
44	40	55	THE BLACK EYED PEAS A&M 004341*/INTERSCOPE (13.98/8.98)	Monkey Business		3
45	36	63	MARIAH CAREY ISLAND 005784*/IDJMG (13.98) ⊕	The Emancipation Of Mimi		8
46	35	14	PRINCE UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC 006296/UMRG (13.98)	3121		1
47	29	13	GHOSTFACE KILLAH DEF JAM 006155*/IDJMG (11.98)	FishScale		2
48	4	48	YOUNG JEEZY CORPORATE THUGZ/DEF JAM 004421*/IDJMG (13.98)	Let's Get It: Thug Motivation 101		1
49	1	29	EMINEM SHADY/AFTERMATH 005881*/INTERSCOPE (13.98/8.98)	Curtain Call: The Hits		2
50	44	48	MARY MARY MY BLOCK/COLUMBIA 77733/SONY MUSIC (18.98)	Mary Mary		1
51	4	2	SOUNDTRACK RSMG 006592/IDJMG (11.98)	Waist Deep		42
52	4	16	JUVENILE UTP/ATLANTIC 83790*/AG (18.98)	Reality Check		1
53	35	3	VARIOUS ARTISTS SMACK 5857/KOCH (17.98) ⊕	Smack: The Album: Volume 1		1
54	41	41	PAUL WALL SWISHHOUSE/ATLANTIC 83808/ASYLUM (18.98)	The Peoples Champ		1
55	61	6	TONY TERRY STUDIO 25/JEG 5912/KOCH (17.98)	Changed!		1

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56	48	48	JAHEIM DIVINE MILL 48802/WARNER BROS. (18.98)	Ghetto Classics		1
57	52	41	CHARLIE WILSON JIVE 69429/ZOMBA (18.98)	Charlie, Last Name Wilson		3
58	55	18	SOUNDTRACK UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 006212/UMRG (13.98)	Tyler Perry's Madea's Family Reunion		4
59	63	97	LYFE JENNINGS COLUMBIA 90946/SONY MUSIC (12.98) ⊕Ⓢ	Lyfe 268-192		1
60	51	58	KEM UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 004232/UMRG (13.98) ⊕	Album II		1
61	44	44	SOUNDS OF BLACKNESS SLR 54693/LIGHTYEAR (17.98)	Unity		47
62	37	10	DA BACKWUDZ MAJOR WAY/ROWDY 006364*/UMRG (9.98)	Wood Work		23
63	54	60	REMY MA SRC/UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 005122*/UMRG (13.95)	There's Something About Remy: Based On A True Story		1
64	60	52	B.G. CHOPPA CITY 5849/KOCH (17.98)	The Heart Of Tha Streetz, Vol. 2 (I Am What I Am)		1
65	61	53	T-PAIN KONVICT MUZIK/JIVE 73200/ZOMBA (18.98)	Rappa Ternt Sanga		1
66	59	50	JOHN LEGEND G.O.D./COLUMBIA 92776*/SONY MUSIC (18.98) ⊕Ⓢ	Get Lifted		1
67	74	50	ERIC BENET FRIDAY/REPRISE 47970/WARNER BROS. (18.98)	Hurricane		1
68	44	44	KANYE WEST ROC-A-FELLA/DEF JAM 004813*/IDJMG (13.98)	Late Registration		1
69	65	35	DESTINY'S CHILD COLUMBIA 97765/SONY MUSIC (18.98) ⊕	#1's		1
70	62	34	SOUNDTRACK G-UNIT 005605*/INTERSCOPE (13.98/8.98)	Get Rich Or Die Tryin'		1
71	NEW	1	DIANA ROSS UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 005694/UMRG (15.98)	Blue		71
72	RE-ENTRY	6	SNOOP DOGG PRIORITY 33957/CAPITOL (18.98)	The Best Of Snoop Dogg		43
73	98	24	GOAPELE SKYLAZE/COLUMBIA 92910/SONY MUSIC (11.98)	Change It All		1
74	9	9	AMEL LARRIEUX BLISSLIFE 00002 (18.98)	Morning		1
75	43	43	YOLANDA ADAMS ELEKTRA/ATLANTIC 83789/AG (18.98)	Day By Day		1

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1	1	39	SEAN PAUL VP/ATLANTIC 83788*/AG	The Trinity		1
2	2	17	VARIOUS ARTISTS VP 1759* ⊕	Reggae Gold 2006		17
3	17	17	MATISYAHU OR/EPIC 97695*/SONY MUSIC	Youth		1
4	5	33	BOB MARLEY AND THE WAILERS ISLAND/TUFF GONG 005723/UME/IDJMG	Africa Unite: The Singles Collection		1
5	3	42	DAMIAN "JR. GONG" MARLEY GHETTO YOUTHS/TUFF GONG/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC 005416*/UMRG	Welcome To Jamrock		1
6	5	62	MATISYAHU OR/EPIC 96464/SONY MUSIC	Live At Stubb's		1
7	4	76	BOB MARLEY AND THE WAILERS TUFF GONG/ISLAND/CHRONICLES 004008/UME	Gold		1
8	NEW	1	VARIOUS ARTISTS VP 1760* ⊕	Soca Gold 2006		1
9	1	1	VARIOUS ARTISTS RHINO SPECIAL PRODUCTS 21089/TIME LIFE	Irie Reggae Hits: Best of Dancehall		1
10	7	2	ELAN KINGSBURY 006384*/INTERSCOPE	Together As One		1
11	14	14	JEHRO SUPERFRUIT 14/RECALL	Jehro		1
12	10	2	VARIOUS ARTISTS SEQUENCE 8035	Dancehall Nice Again 2006		1
13	14	14	BEDOUIN SOUNDCLASH SIDEDNEEDUMMY 71267	Sounding A Mosaic		1
14	9	9	PAPA SAN GOSPO CENTRIC 71280/ZOMBA	Real & Personal		1
15	9	9	WILLIE NELSON LOST HIGHWAY 004706*/UMGN	Countryman		1

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JONES LANDS FIRST NO. 1 ALBUM

Or his fourth visit to Top R&B/Hip-Hop Albums, Donell Jones toasts his first No. 1. There's a reversal of fortunes on The Billboard 200, where Jones' "Journey of a Gemini" (No. 15, 49,000 sold), trails Field Mob's "Light Poles and Pine Trees," the duo's first top 10 or that list (No. 10, 63,000). Both albums were sale-priced for less than \$10 at Target and Circuit City. Stand-

ings on the R&B/Hip-Hop chart differ from The Billboard 200 because the former is determined by a core subset of stores that specialize in those genres. Jones' best is "Life Goes On," which sold 110,000 when it hit the big chart at No. 3 in 2002; the same year saw Field Mob's "From Tha Roota to Da Toota" do 28,000 for a Billboard 200 rank of No. 33.



—Raphael George

JUL 8 2006 R&B/HIP-HOP Billboard

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1	1	21	#1 IT'S GOIN' DOWN	YUNG JOC (BLOCK/BAD BOY SOUTH/ATLANTIC)	☆
2	2	17	TORN	LETOYA (CAPITOL)	☆
3	3	26	SNAP YO FINGERS	LIL JON (BME/TVT)	☆
4	5	14	SO WHAT	FIELD MOB FEAT. CIARA (DTP/GEFFEN/INTERSCOPE)	☆
5	4	15	ENOUGH CRYIN	MARY J. BLIGE FEAT. BROOK-LYN (MATRIARCH/GEFFEN/INTERSCOPE)	☆
6	6	14	WHY YOU WANNA	T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)	☆
7	12	3	DEJA VU	BEYONCE FEAT. JAY-Z (COLUMBIA/SUM)	☆
8	7	15	DJ PLAY A LOVE SONG	JAMIE FOXX FEAT. TWISTA (J/RMG)	☆
9	14	13	SHOULDER LEAN	YOUNG DRO FEAT. T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)	☆
10	8	12	GIMME THAT	CHRIS BROWN FEAT. LIL WAYNE (JIVE/ZOMBA)	☆
11	10	19	RIDIN'	CHAMILLIONAIRE (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	☆
12	11	13	DO IT TO IT	CHERISH (SHO'NUFF/CAPITOL)	☆
13	16	9	BOSSY	KELIS FEAT. TOO SHORT (JIVE/ZOMBA)	☆
14	3	18	WHEN YOU'RE MAD	NE-YO (DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
15	15	41	LOOKING FOR YOU	KIRK FRANKLIN (FO YO SOUL/GOSPO CENTRIC/ZOMBA)	☆
16	13	20	HUSTLIN'	RICK ROSS (SLIP-N-SLIDE/DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
17	17	35	CAN'T LET GO	ANTHONY HAMILTON (SO SO DEF/ZOMBA)	☆
18	21	8	ME & U	CASSIE (NEXT SELECTION/BAD BOY/ATLANTIC)	☆
19	13	21	WHAT YOU KNOW	T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)	☆
20	19	35	BE WITHOUT YOU	MARY J. BLIGE (GEFFEN/INTERSCOPE)	☆
21	16	2	CALL ON ME	JANET DUET WITH NELLY (VIRGIN)	☆
22	14	7	WHEN YOU GONNA (GIVE IT UP TO ME)	SEAN PAUL FEAT. KEYSHIA COLE (VP/ATLANTIC)	☆
23	29	5	SEXY LOVE	NE-YO (DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
24	13	6	PULLIN' ME BACK	CHINGY FEAT. TYRESE (SLOT-A-LOT/CAPITOL)	☆
25	25	9	FEELS SO GOOD	REMY MA FEAT. NE-YO (SRC/UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	☆

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26	26	18	FLY LIKE A BIRD	MARIAH CAREY (ISLAND/IDJMG)	☆
27	28	11	I LOVE MY B****	BUSTA RHYMES FEAT. KELIS & WILL.I.AM (AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE)	☆
28	22	22	GOOD LUCK CHARM	JAGGED EDGE (COLUMBIA/SUM)	☆
29	11	11	HMM HMM	BEEMIE MAN (SHOCKING VIBES/VIRGIN)	☆
30	23	27	GETTIN' SOME	SHAWNNA (DTP/DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
31	10	10	GHETTO STORY	CHAM (MADHOUSE/ATLANTIC)	☆
32	27	22	FIND MYSELF IN YOU	BRIAN MCKNIGHT (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	☆
33	31	7	MIGHTY "O"	OUTKAST (LAFACE/ZOMBA)	☆
34	35	17	OOH WEE	TEENA MARIE (CASH MONEY CLASSICS/UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	☆
35	47	14	I REFUSE	URBAN MYSTIC (SOBE/WARNER BROS.)	☆
36	30	23	JUST CAME HERE TO CHILL	THE ISLEY BROTHERS (DEF SOUL CLASSICS/DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
37	40	4	S.E.X.	LYFE JENNINGS (COLUMBIA/SUM)	☆
38	39	5	U AND DAT	E-40 FEAT. T-PAIN & KANDI GIRL (SICK WID' IT/BME/WARNER BROS.)	☆
39	45	11	RIDIN' RIMS	DEM FRANCHIZE BOYZ (SO SO DEF/VIRGIN)	☆
40	37	35	IN MY MIND	HEATHER HEADLEY (RCA/RMG)	☆
41	32	22	4 MINUTES	AVANT (MAGIC JOHNSON/GEFFEN/INTERSCOPE)	☆
42	48	4	SHINE	LUTHER VANDROSS (LEGACY/J/RMG)	☆
43	42	38	UNPREDICTABLE	JAMIE FOXX FEAT. LUDACRIS (J/RMG)	☆
44	56	3	I KNOW YOU SEE IT	YUNG JOC FEAT. BRANDY 'MS. B.' HAMBRIK (BLOCK/BAD BOY SOUTH/ATLANTIC)	☆
45	43	13	I'M GONNA BE	DONELL JONES (LAFACE/ZOMBA)	☆
46	38	21	I LOVE YOU	CHERI DENNIS (BAD BOY/ATLANTIC)	☆
47	34	19	HOLLA AT ME	DJ KHALED (TERROR SQUAD/KOCH)	☆
48	50	14	PRETTY BABY	ERIC BENET (FRIDAY/REPRISE/WARNER BROS.)	☆
49	36	21	BACK LIKE THAT	GHOSTFACE KILLAH FEAT. NE-YO (DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
50	41	31	LEAN WIT IT, ROCK WIT IT	DEM FRANCHIZE BOYZ (SO SO DEF/VIRGIN)	☆

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1	1	30	#1 CAN'T LET GO	ANTHONY HAMILTON (SO SO DEF/ZOMBA)	☆
2	2	24	FIND MYSELF IN YOU	BRIAN MCKNIGHT (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	☆
3	3	22	FLY LIKE A BIRD	MARIAH CAREY (ISLAND/IDJMG)	☆
4	5	18	OOH WEE	TEENA MARIE (CASH MONEY CLASSICS/UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	☆
5	7	23	I REFUSE	URBAN MYSTIC (SOBE/WARNER BROS.)	☆
6	4	24	JUST CAME HERE TO CHILL	THE ISLEY BROTHERS (DEF SOUL CLASSICS/DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
7	6	32	BE WITHOUT YOU	MARY J. BLIGE (GEFFEN/INTERSCOPE)	☆
8	8	39	IN MY MIND	HEATHER HEADLEY (RCA/RMG)	☆
9	10	20	PRETTY BABY	ERIC BENET (FRIDAY/REPRISE/WARNER BROS.)	☆
10	9	41	LOOKING FOR YOU	KIRK FRANKLIN (FO YO SOUL/GOSPO CENTRIC/ZOMBA)	☆
11	11	4	SHINE	LUTHER VANDROSS (LEGACY/J/RMG)	☆
12	13	10	NO WORDS	CHARLIE WILSON (JIVE/ZOMBA)	☆
13	1	14	I'M GONNA BE	DONELL JONES (LAFACE/ZOMBA)	☆
14	7	8	ME TIME	HEATHER HEADLEY (RCA/RMG)	☆
15	14	21	GOL'S GIFT	JEFF MAJORS FEAT. KELLY PRICE (MUSIC ONE/EPIC/SUM)	☆
16	15	2	ENOUGH CRYIN	MARY J. BLIGE FEAT. BROOK-LYN (MATRIARCH/GEFFEN/INTERSCOPE)	☆
17	16	3	TAKE CARE OF U	SHANICE (MAJAZ/PLAYTIME)	☆
18	18	17	THE CHOSEN ONE	JAHHEIM (DIVINE MILL/WARNER BROS.)	☆
19	19	1	I CALL IT LOVE	LIONEL RICHIE (ISLAND/IDJMG)	☆
20	20	1	YESTERDAY	MARY MARY (MY BLOCK/COLUMBIA/SUM)	☆
21	22	10	TORN	LETOYA (CAPITOL)	☆
22	21	7	BLAST OFF	THE ISLEY BROTHERS FEAT. R. KELLY (DEF SOUL CLASSICS/DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
23	23	15	YOU	RAHEEM DEVAUGHN (JIVE/ZOMBA)	☆
24	24	8	4 MINUTES	AVANT (MAGIC JOHNSON/GEFFEN/INTERSCOPE)	☆
25	25	12	WANNA SEE YOU SMILE	LORENZE OWENS (D-TOWN)	☆

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1	1	15	#1 SISTER	SCOUNDREL SQUAD FEAT. BUN-B (INVISIBLE)	☆
2	19	7	ME & U	CASSIE (NEXT SELECTION/BAD BOY/ATLANTIC)	☆
3	9	4	BACK AND FORTH	UNIFIED TRIBE (MAGIC MUZIK/IAM)	☆
4	11	5	REGRETS	HEAVEN DAVIS (WILDCHILD DAVIS)	☆
5	1	1	SOLDIER SONG	SAP0 (TEE-N-TEE)	☆
6	1	1	SYMPHONY OF BROTHERHOOD	MIRI BEN-ARI (MIRIMODE PRODUCTIONS/STREET PRIDE)	☆
7	7	2	WORLD WIDE (V.I.P.)	SAIRE JONES (VIBANT)	☆
8	5	10	PICK IT UP	K'PRIS (OPHIR)	☆
9	21	2	ENOUGH CRYIN	MARY J. BLIGE FEAT. BROOK-LYN (MATRIARCH/GEFFEN/INTERSCOPE)	☆
10	3	4	I LOVE MY B****/NEW YORK S***	BUSTA RHYMES (AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE)	☆
11	6	11	REMEMBER	RENA SCOTT (AMOR/K.E.S.)	☆
12	4	10	WHAT THE LICK READ?	TRIPLE J (BIG SCALE)	☆
13	12	29	I AM NOT MY HAIR	INDIA.ARIE (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	☆
14	15	11	SNAP YO FINGERS	LIL JON (BME/TVT)	☆
15	24	2	NUMBER ONE	PHARRELL FEAT. KANYE WEST (STAR TRAK/INTERSCOPE)	☆
16	14	20	BOOM DRAH	Y.G.O. (NEGRIL WEST/ORPHEUS)	☆
17	10	14	I REMEMBER...	MELISSA MORGAN (LU ANN/ORPHEUS)	☆
18	31	5	SHOULDER LEAN	YOUNG DRO FEAT. T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)	☆
19	1	1	BOJANGLES	PITBULL (DIZ2 BROTHERS/TVT)	☆
20	10	7	BOSSY	KELIS FEAT. TOO SHORT (JIVE/ZOMBA)	☆
21	1	1	GHETTO STORY	CHAM (MADHOUSE/ATLANTIC)	☆
22	46	44	RUN IT!	CHRIS BROWN (JIVE/ZOMBA)	☆
23	22	6	DA JERK	YUNG TONE (WABEJON)	☆
24	23	3	MR. ME TOO	CLIPSE FEAT. PHARRELL WILLIAMS (RE-UP GANG/STAR TRAK/ZOMBA)	☆
25	1	1	I LOVE YOU	CHERI DENNIS (BAD BOY/ATLANTIC)	☆

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1	1	12	#1 IT'S GOIN' DOWN	YUNG JOC (BLOCK/BAD BOY SOUTH/ATLANTIC)	☆
2	2	15	ME & U	CASSIE (NEXT SELECTION/BAD BOY/ATLANTIC)	☆
3	3	16	SNAP YO FINGERS	LIL JON (BME/TVT)	☆
4	5	10	DO IT TO IT	CHERISH (SHO'NUFF/CAPITOL)	☆
5	4	16	SO WHAT	FIELD MOB FEAT. CIARA (DTP/GEFFEN/INTERSCOPE)	☆
6	7	7	PROMISCUOUS	NELLY FURTADO FEAT. TIMBALAND (MOSLEY/GEFFEN/INTERSCOPE)	☆
7	9	13	U AND DAT	E-40 FEAT. T-PAIN & KANDI GIRL (SICK WID' IT/BME/WARNER BROS.)	☆
8	8	23	RIDIN'	CHAMILLIONAIRE (UNIVERSAL MOTOWN)	☆
9	6	11	GIMME THAT	CHRIS BROWN FEAT. LIL WAYNE (JIVE/ZOMBA)	☆
10	12	7	UNFAITHFUL	RIHANNA (SRP/DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
11	11	11	BOSSY	KELIS FEAT. TOO SHORT (JIVE/ZOMBA)	☆
12	10	15	HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FEAT. WYCLEF JEAN (EPIC/SUM)	☆
13	11	17	DOING TOO MUCH	PAULA DEANDA FEAT. BABY BASH (ARISTA/RMG)	☆
14	14	17	WHAT YOU KNOW	T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)	☆
15	15	10	WHY YOU WANNA	T.I. (GRAND HUSTLE/ATLANTIC)	☆
16	27	2	DEJA VU	BEYONCE FEAT. JAY-Z (COLUMBIA/SUM)	☆
17	16	28	TEMPERATURE	SEAN PAUL (VP/ATLANTIC)	☆
18	19	8	I LOVE MY B****	BUSTA RHYMES FEAT. WILL.I.AM & KELIS (AFTERMATH/INTERSCOPE)	☆
19	17	22	LEAN WIT IT, ROCK WIT IT	DEM FRANCHIZE BOYZ (SO SO DEF/VIRGIN)	☆
20	21	5	TORN	LETOYA (CAPITOL)	☆
21	22	4	WHEN YOU GONNA (GIVE IT UP TO ME)	SEAN PAUL FEAT. KEYSHIA COLE (VP/ATLANTIC)	☆
22	31	2	CRAZY	GNARLS BARKLEY (DOWNTOWN/LAVA)	☆
23	18	11	GETTIN' SOME	SHAWNNA (DTP/DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
24	25	3	SEXY LOVE	NE-YO (DEF JAM/IDJMG)	☆
25	23	6	WHERE'D YOU GO	FORT MINOR FEAT. HOLLY BROOK (MACHINE SHOP/WARNER BROS.)	☆

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ARTIST/TITLE (Score)	Chart Rank
R&B/HIP-HOP AIRPLAY	
BEYONCE FEAT. WYCLEF JEAN <i>Deja Vu</i> sum (89.5)	7
KELIS FEAT. TOO SHORT <i>Bossy</i> ZOMBA (70.7)	13
CASSIE <i>Me & You</i> ATLANTIC (86.2)	18
☆ JANET WITH NELLY <i>Call On Me</i> VIRGIN (92.2)	21
SEAN PAUL FEAT. KEYSHIA COLE <i>When You Gonna (Give It Up To Me)</i> ATLANTIC (74.7)	22
NE-YO <i>Sexy Love</i> IDJMG (82.4)	23
CHINGY FEAT. TYRESE <i>Pullin' Me Back</i> CAPITOL (82.5)	24
REMY MA FEAT. NE-YO <i>Feels So Good</i> UNIVERSAL MOTOWN (87.3)	25
LYFE JENNINGS <i>S.E.X.</i> sum (88.2)	37
DEM FRANCHIZE BOYZ <i>Ridin' Rims</i> VIRGIN (66.8)	39
OMARION <i>Entourage</i> sum (79.1)	57
☆ RIHANNA <i>Unfaithful</i> IDJMG (66.2)	64
METHUEN FEAT. LAURYN HILL <i>Say</i> IDJMG (74.4)	70
☆ PHARRELL FEAT. KANYE WEST <i>Number One</i> INTERSCOPE (74.7)	74
SAMMIE <i>You Should Be My Girl</i> MOTOWN UNIVERSAL (73.7)	-
☆ SHAREEFA FEAT. LUDACRIS <i>Need A Boss</i> IDJMG (75.0)	-
RHYTHMIC AIRPLAY	
RIHANNA <i>Unfaithful</i> IDJMG (66.2)	10
KELIS FEAT. TOO SHORT <i>Bossy</i> ZOMBA (66.4)	11
T.I. <i>Why You Wanna</i> ATLANTIC (69.8)	15
BEYONCE FEAT. JAY-Z <i>Deja Vu</i> sum (87.0)	16
LETOYA <i>Tom</i> CAPITOL (72.8)	20
SEAN PAUL FEAT. KEYSHIA COLE <i>When You Gonna (Give It Up To Me)</i> ATLANTIC (75.8)	21
GNARLS BARKLEY <i>Crazy Lava</i> (71.4)	22
NE-YO <i>Sexy Love</i> IDJMG (82.4)	24
CHINGY FEAT. TYRESE <i>Pullin' Me Back</i> CAPITOL (83.2)	26
☆ JANET WITH NELLY <i>Call On Me</i> VIRGIN (92.1)	28
NATALIE FEAT. BUN-B <i>What You Gonna Do</i> UNIVERSAL MOTOWN (65.7)	29
☆ THE PACK <i>Vans</i> ZOMBA (71.9)	36
OUTKAST <i>Mighty "O"</i> ZOMBA (70.5)	-
BROWN BOY <i>Superman</i> A&E (65.4)	-
☆ CIARA <i>Get Up</i> ZOMBA (90.4)	-
THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS FEAT. SNOOP DOG <i>Buttons</i> INTERSCOPE (70.0)	-

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COUNTRY SONGS

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	TITLE	Artist	PEAK POSITION
1	1	14	#1 SUMMERTIME F. ROGERS (B. CANNON, K. CHESNEY) (S. MCEWAN, C. WISEMAN)	Kenny Chesney BNA	1
2	3	15	THE WORLD F. ROGERS (B. PAISLEY, K. LOVELACE, L. T. MILLER)	Brad Paisley ARISTA NASHVILLE	2
3	2	25	LAST DAY OF MY LIFE F. ROGERS (P. VASSAR, T. RYAN)	Phil Vassar ARISTA NASHVILLE	2
4	5	21	DON'T FORGET TO REMEMBER ME M. BRIGHT (M. HAYES, K. LOVELACE, A. GORLEY)	Carrie Underwood ARISTA/ARISTA NASHVILLE	4
5	4	17	WHEN THE STARS GO BLUE B. GALLIMORE, T. MCGRAW, D. SMITH (R. ADAMS)	Tim McGraw CURB	5
6	6	11	A LITTLE TOO LATE T. KEITH, L. WHITE (T. KEITH, S. EMERICK, D. DILLON)	Toby Keith SHOW DOG NASHVILLE	6
7	9	23	IF YOU'RE GOING THROUGH HELL (BEFORE THE DEVIL EVEN KNOWS) T. HEWITT (S. TATE, A. TATE, D. BERG)	Rodney Atkins CURB	7
8	7	29	EVERY TIME I HEAR YOUR NAME J. STEELE (K. ANDERSON, T. HAMBROGE, J. STEELE)	Keith Anderson ARISTA NASHVILLE	8
9	10	21	SIZE MATTERS (SOMEDAY) B. CANNON (B. HILL, M. DEKLE)	Joe Nichols UNIVERSAL SOUTH	9
10	13	25	LIFE AIN'T ALWAYS BEAUTIFUL M. WRIGHT, G. ALLAN (C. GOODMAN, T. L. JAMES)	Gary Allan MCA NASHVILLE	10
11	12	13	ME AND MY GANG D. HUFF, RASCAL FLATTS (J. STEELE, T. MULLINS, J. STONE)	Rascal Flatts LYRIC STREET	11
12	15	22	BRING IT ON HOME W. KIRKPATRICK, LITTLE BIG TOWN (W. KIRKPATRICK, G. BIECK, T. H. BIECK)	Little Big Town EQUITY	12
13	11	24	SETTLE FOR A SLOWDOWN B. BEAVERS (T. MARTIN, B. BEAVERS, D. BENTLEY)	Dierks Bentley CAPITOL	13
14	9	20	SOMETHING'S GOTTA GIVE D. HUFF (C. WISEMAN, T. MULLINS)	LeAnn Rimes ASYLUM-CURB	14
15	14	32	WHY M. KNOX (J. RICH, V. MCGHEE, R. CLAWSON)	Jason Aldean BROKEN BOW	15
16	16	33	LEAVE THE PIECES J. SHANKS, M. BRANCH (J. HANSON, B. AUSTIN)	The Wreckers MAVERICK/WARNER BROS./WRN	16
17	18	21	HOW 'BOUT YOU J. JOYCE (E. CHURCH, E. CHURCH, B. BEAVERS)	Eric Church CAPITOL	17
18	17	31	I CAN'T UNLOVE YOU D. HUFF (W. KIRBY, W. ROBINSON)	Kenny Rogers CAPITOL	18
19	21	25	BRAND NEW GIRLFRIEND L. MILLER (S. MINOR, B. ALLMAND, J. STEELE)	Steve Holy CURB	19
20	19	16	DOWN IN MISSISSIPPI (UP TO NO GOOD) G. FUNDIS (K. BUSH, K. HALL, J. NETTLES)	Sugarland MERCURY	20
21	20	18	WHY, WHY, WHY C. CHAMBERLAIN (B. CURRINGTON, T. MARTIN, M. NESLER)	Billy Currington MERCURY	21
22	22	18	YEE HAW J. RITCHEY (J. OWEN, C. BEATHARD, K. MARVELL)	Jake Owen RCA	22
23	23	10	WOULD YOU GO WITH ME F. ROGERS (S. CAMP, J. SHERRILL)	Josh Turner MCA NASHVILLE	23
24	25	6	BUILDING BRIDGES T. BROWN, R. DUNK, K. BROOKS (H. DEWITT, L. WILLOUGHBY)	Brooks & Dunn With Sheryl Crow & Vince Gill ARISTA NASHVILLE	24
25	24	7	FEELS JUST LIKE IT SHOULD D. GEHMAN (P. GREEN, B. JAMES, J. POLLARD)	Pat Green BNA	24
26	34	4	SUNSHINE AND SUMMERTIME B. GALLIMORE, F. HILL (J. RICH, R. CLAWSON, K. SACKLEY)	Faith Hill WARNER BROS./WRN	26
27	26	13	FAVORITE STATE OF MIND M. WILLIAMS (M. CHAGNON, B. DALY)	Josh Gracin LYRIC STREET	27
28	29	6	8TH OF NOVEMBER B. KENNY, J. RICH, P. WORLEY (B. KENNY, J. RICH)	Big & Rich WARNER BROS./WRN	28
29	30	9	SWING F. ROGERS (C. STAPLETON, F. ROGERS)	Trace Adkins CAPITOL	29
30	27	17	FINDIN' A GOOD MAN J. STOVER (J. STOVER, B. D. MAHER, C. KOESEL)	DanLe Peck BIG MACHINE	27
31	28	23	ON AGAIN TONIGHT F. ROGERS (M. GREEN, J. MELTON, P. B. WHITE)	Trent Willmon COLUMBIA	28
32	33	11	NEW STRINGS F. LIDDELL, M. WRUCKE (M. LAMBERT)	Miranda Lambert EPIC/COLUMBIA	32
33	31	20	THE LUCKY ONE B. GALLIMORE, F. HILL (B. WARREN, B. WAFREN, J. JOYCE)	Faith Hill WARNER BROS./WRN	31
34	NEW	1	GREATEST GAINER GIVE IT AWAY T. BROWN, G. STRAIT (B. CANNON, B. ANDERSON, J. JOHNSON)	George Strait MCA NASHVILLE	34
35	36	19	I DON'T KNOW WHAT SHE SAID T. JOHNSON, R. L. FEEK (C. BATTEN, K. BLAZY, L. TURNER)	Blaine Larsen GIANTS LAYER/BNA	35
36	35	17	AIN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE M. BRIGHT (T. MARTIN, M. NESLER)	Megan Mullins BROKEN BOW	36
37	37	14	GOD ONLY CRIES M. D. CLUTE, DIAMOND RIO (T. JOHNSON)	Diamond Rio ARISTA NASHVILLE	37
38	38	12	COALMINE S. EVANS, M. BRIGHT (B. DEAN, R. HARBIN, R. MCDONALD)	Sara Evans RCA	38
39	40	19	THAT'S HOW THEY DO IT IN DIXIE Hank Williams Jr. With Gretchen Wilson, Big & Rich & Van Zant D. JOHNSON (C. TOMPKINS, J. KEAR, M. IRWIN)	Hank Williams Jr. With Gretchen Wilson, Big & Rich & Van Zant ASYLUM-CURB	39
40	43	1	CALIFORNIA GIRLS G. WILSON, J. RICH, M. WRIGHT (G. WILSON, J. RICH, M. WRIGHT)	Gretchen Wilson COLUMBIA	40
41	42	6	IN TERMS OF LOVE J. SHANKS (K. OSBORN, D. SCHLITZ)	SheDaisy LYRIC STREET	41
42	41	13	A GOOD MAN B. ALLEN, K. FOLLESE (K. FOLLESE, A. FOLLESE, V. SHAW)	Emerson Drive MIDAS/NEW REVOLUTION	42
43	44	5	LOVE YOU J. STOVER (J. KNOWLES, T. SUMMAR)	Jack Ingram BIG MACHINE	43
44	39	12	THAT GIRL IS A COWBOY A. REYNOLDS (G. BROOKS, J. L. NIEMAN, R. BROWN)	Garth Brooks PEARL/LYRIC STREET	44
45	45	10	GET OUTTA MY WAY C. BLACK, CAROLINA RAIN (R. E. ORRALL, C. WRIGHT)	Carolina Rain EQUITY	45
46	53	2	MOUNTAINS M. BRIGHT (R. MCDONALD, L. BOONE, P. NELSON)	Lonestar BNA	46
47	46	9	KILL ME NOW A. SMITH, H. GRAHAM (J. RICH, A. L. SMITH, V. MCGHEE)	Rio Grand ASYLUM-CURB	47
48	50	7	NOTHIN' BUT A LOVE THANG F. ROGERS (C. STAPLETON, S. LESLIE, D. WORLEY)	Darryl Worley 903 MUSIC	48
49	48	2	LIFE IS A HIGHWAY D. HUFF, RASCAL FLATTS (T. COCHRAN)	Rascal Flatts WALT DISNEY/LYRIC STREET	49
50	52	8	UNBROKEN GROUND S. HENDRICKS, J. STROUO (J. P. WHITE, J. LEBLANC, K. BERGSNES, G. NICHOLS)	Gary Nichols MERCURY	50
51	53	8	DO WE STILL B. CHANCEY, T. BROWN, K. LAW (R. LYNNE, R. CROSBY, W. RAMBAUX)	Rockie Lynne UNIVERSAL SOUTH	51
52	51	9	TENNESSEE GIRL B. CANNON (B. DIPIERO, C. WISEMAN)	Sammy Kershaw CATEGORY 5	52
53	56	17	BEFORE HE CHEATS M. BRIGHT (C. TOMPKINS, J. KEAR)	Carrie Underwood ARISTA/ARISTA NASHVILLE	53
54	54	3	ONE WING IN THE FIRE L. REYNOLDS, T. TOMLINSON (T. TOMLINSON, B. PINSON)	Trent Tomlinson LYRIC STREET	54
55	47	8	CALL ME CRAZY B. CHANCEY (S. NIELSON)	The Lost Trailers BNA	55
56	58	2	AIN'T MY DAY TO CARE C. HDWARD, E. PITTARELLI (B. F. E. PITTARELLI, A. RUSSELL)	Bomshel CURB	56
57	NEW	1	I LOVED HER FIRST W. ALDRIDGE (W. ALDRIDGE, E. PARK)	Heartland LOFTON CREEK	57
58	60	2	TIM MCGRAW N. CHAPMAN (T. SWIFT, L. ROSE)	Taylor Swift BIG MACHINE	58
59	51	8	LIVE TO LOVE ANOTHER DAY D. HUFF, K. URBAN (D. BROWN, K. URBAN)	Keith Urban CAPITOL	59
60	59	3	ONE SECOND CHANCE K. BEARD, B. CHANCEY (A. ALBRITTON, C. DUBOIS, D. TURNBULL)	Jeff Bates RCA	60

Up 1.5 million audience impressions, singer collects ninth top 10. Three of his previous top 10 songs reached No. 1.

While track from "Bars" soundtrack dullets at No. 45, title track from current album is poised to become trio's 14th top 10 hit.

Indie-label group posts first chart entry exclusively in Billboard. Draws 941,000 impressions.

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COUNTRY		KENNY ROGERS I Can't Unlove You CAPITOL (90.3)	18	SARA EVANS Coalmine RCA (84.0)	38
KENNY CHESNEY Summertime BNA (86.9)	1	JOSH TURNER Would You Go With Me MCA NASHVILLE (80.5)	23	GRETCHEN WILSON California Girls COLUMBIA (81.0)	40
BRAD PAISLEY The World ARISTA NASHVILLE (87.5)	2	BROOKS & DUNN Building Bridges ARISTA NASHVILLE (85.9)	24	TRENT TOMLINSON One Wing In The Fire LYRIC STREET (89.4)	54
CARRIE UNDERWOOD Don't Forget To Remember Me ARISTA NASHVILLE (93.7)	4	PAT GREEN Feels Just Like It Should BNA (78.5)	25	HEARTLAND I Loved Her First LOFTON CREEK (82.6)	57
TOBY KEITH A Little Too Late show dog (87.0)	6	FAITH HILL Sunshine And Summertime WARNER BROS. (75.7)	26	CHRIS CAGLE Anywhere But Here CAPITOL (86.0)	-
RODNEY ATKINS If You're Going Through Hell CURB (75.0)	7	MIRANDA LAMBERT New Strings EPIC (89.1)	32		
GARY ALLAN Life Ain't Always Beautiful MCA NASHVILLE (87.6)	10	BLAINE LARSEN I Don't Know What She Said BNA (75.1)	35		
THE WRECKERS Leave The Pieces WARNER BROS. (79.1)	16	DIAMOND RIO God Only Cries ARISTA NASHVILLE (94.7)	37		

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HIT COULD 'GIVE' CHART RECORD TO STRAIT

Format veteran George Strait racks up his second-highest debut with "Give It Away," which pops on Hot Country Songs with 5.5 million audience impressions at No. 34.

Strait recently achieved his highest debut in his more than 25 years on this chart when "You'll Be There" arrived at No. 30 in the April 9, 2005, issue. That single peaked at No. 4 two months later in the June 18 issue.

Strait manages his new feat with a bout five full days of airplay at 70 of the 131 stations



that Nielsen BDS monitors for this chart.

"Give It Away," not to be confused with the Red Hot Chili Peppers hit, is the first single from Strait's next album, due in fall, but label sources say has not yet been titled. It has a tentative Oct. 24 street date.

Should Strait ride this song to the chart's crest, he'll surpass Conway Twitty as the artist with the most No. 1 songs. Strait and Twitty are now tied at 40 chart-toppers apiece.

—Wade Jessen

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HOT LATIN SONGS

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	2 WEEKS AGO	WEEKS ON CHART	TITLE	Artist	PEAK POSITION
1	1	1	14	#1 HIPS DON'T LIE	Shakira Featuring Wyclef Jean	1
2	2	4	10	ANGELITO	Don Omar	2
3	3	2	16	DOWN	Rakim & Ken-Y	2
4	4	3	13	CAILE	Tito El Bambino	2
5	5	5	21	MACHUCANDO	Daddy Yankee	2
6	7	6	21	ALIADO DEL TIEMPO	Mariano Barba	6
7	10	24	4	MAS ALLA DEL SOL	Joan Sebastian	7
8	6	8	12	VOLVERTE A AMAR	Alejandra Guzman	6
9	8	9	9	NUESTRO AMOR SE HA VUELTO AYER	Victor Manuelle Featuring Yuridia	8
10	14	23	12	GREATEST GAINER COMO DUELE (BARRERA DE AMOR)	Noelia	10
11	9	7	24	UN BESO	Aventura	6
12	12	12	5	ME VOY	Julieta Venegas	12
13	16	17	7	UNA CANCION QUE TE ENAMORE	Servando Y Florentino	13
14	11	18	2	QUE LASTIMA	Alfredo Ramirez Corral	11
15	17	37	4	DIGANLE	Conjunto Primavera	15
16	13	10	17	LO QUE SON LAS COSAS	Anais	1
17	21	21	7	ALGUIEN TE VA A HACER LLORAR	Intocable	17
18	36	27	7	TE COMPRO	Duelo	18
19	23	49	7	ESTE CORAZON	RBD	19
20	21	34	7	VOY A LLORAR POR TI	Los Rieleros Del Norte	20
21	14	13	11	MUNECA DE TRAPO	La Oreja De Van Gogh	12
22	27	22	8	HERE WE GO YO	Hector "El Father" Featuring El Presidente	18
23	26	19	7	INSENSIBLE A TI (ME PONE A MIL)	Alicia Villarreal	19
24	34	39	3	PENSANDO EN TI	Frankie J	24
25	20	20	1	DIOS A MI AMANTE	Grupo Montez De Durango	18

At No. 7, Sebastian scores second No. 1 on Regional Mexican Airplay. He topped that chart in 2000 with "Secreto de Amor."



Venegas' album "Limon y Sal" has been certified gold in Mexico (50,000 copies) and is No. 1 on Mexico Albums chart (see page 64).



Remixes propelled "Cha Cha," No. 34 on this chart, to a No. 23 peak on Hot Dance Club Play.

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	2 WEEKS AGO	WEEKS ON CHART	TITLE	Artist	PEAK POSITION
26	22	44	4	INGRATITUD	Los Tigres Del Norte	22
27	28	28	11	QUE ME ALCANCE LA VIDA	Sin Bandera	19
28	47	-	2	LA BOTELLA	Mach & Daddy	28
29	38	-	2	ESTOY CON EL Y PIENSO EN TI	Anais	29
30	48	-	2	NO, NO, NO	Thalia Featuring Anthony "Romeo" Santos	30
31	29	43	8	MUCHACHITA DE OJOS TRISTES	Sergio Vega	29
32	25	15	16	TEMPERATURE	Sean Paul	10
33	33	30	15	ABRAZAME	Camila	30
34	HOT SHOT DEBUT	1	1	CHA CHA	Chelo	34
35	39	-	2	DEJALE CAER TO' EL PESO	Yomo Featuring Hector "El Father"	35
36	32	25	14	UNO Y UNO ES IGUAL A TRES	Jeremias	12
37	NEW	1	1	A TI	Ricardo Arjona	37
38	40	-	2	ME & U	Cassie	38
39	49	-	2	DETALLES	Yahir	39
40	42	41	5	NO ES UNA NOVELA	Monchy & Alexandra	31
41	RE-ENTRY	2	2	PAM PAM	Wisn & Yandel	41
42	37	32	19	PARA QUE REGRESSES	El Chapo De Sinaloa	23
43	41	40	19	TE EXTRANCO	Xtreme	31
44	35	26	7	NO ES BRUJERIA	Ana Barbara	25
45	46	45	5	FRIKITONA	Plan B	41
46	RE-ENTRY	5	5	CUANTO TENGO QUE ESPERAR	Officer & Lennox	35
47	RE-ENTRY	4	4	TU NOMBRE EN MAYUSCULAS	Laura Pausini	37
48	NEW	1	1	DETRAS DE LA PUERTA	El Chapo De Sinaloa	48
49	44	35	5	CUANDO BAILA REGGAETON	Tego Calderon Featuring Yandel	33
50	RE-ENTRY	5	5	TE HAGO EL AMOR	Eliel Featuring Lennox	48

TOP LATIN ALBUMS

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	2 WEEKS AGO	WEEKS ON CHART	ARTIST	Title	CERT.	PEAK POSITION
1	1	1	1	DOM OMAR	King Of Kings		1
2	2	5	4	DADDY YANKEE	Barrio Fino: En Directo		1
3	HOT SHOT DEBUT	1	1	ALACRANES MUSICAL	A Paso Firme		3
4	4	2	1	VARIOUS ARTISTS	NOW Latino		1
5	3	4	3	WISN & YANDEL	Pa'l Mundo		1
6	10	9	12	JUAN GABRIEL	La Historia Del Divo		4
7	6	6	8	GRUPO MONTEZ DE DURANGO	Borrón Y Cuenta Nueva		1
8	5	10	17	ANDREA BOCELLI	Amor		2
9	8	3	3	PATRULLA 81	Tierra Extranera		1
10	7	-	2	JOAN SEBASTIAN	Mas Alla Del Sol		1
11	11	8	3	JULIETA VENEGAS	Limon Y Sal		1
12	14	7	3	DUELO	Relaciones Conflictivas		7
13	13	13	11	RAKIM & KEN-Y	Masterpiece: Nuestra Obra Maestra		2
14	12	11	7	VICTOR MANUELLE	Decision Unanime		6
15	15	7	13	MONCHY & ALEXANDRA	Exitos Y Mas		9
16	20	5	22	RBD	Nuestro Amor		1
17	24	28	28	CALLE 13	Calle 13		6
18	9	-	2	FRANKIE J	Un Nuevo Dia		1
19	17	14	21	ROCIO DURCAL	Amor Eterno		1
20	16	21	24	RICARDO ARJONA	Adentro		3
21	21	13	23	DOM OMAR	Da Hitman Presents Reggaeton Latino		1
22	19	13	25	SHAKIRA	Fijacion Oral Vol. 1		1
23	30	23	64	AVENTURA	God's Project		5
24	23	15	12	FBD	RBD: Live In Hollywood		6
25	25	25	12	LOS TIGRES DEL NORTE	Historias Que Contar		2

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	2 WEEKS AGO	WEEKS ON CHART	ARTIST	Title	CERT.	PEAK POSITION
26	22	28	12	RAMON AYALA Y SUS BRAVOS DEL NORTE	Antologia De Un Rey		15
27	29	27	47	ANA GABRIEL	Historia De Una Reina		5
28	18	12	4	VARIOUS ARTISTS	Somos Americanos		7
29	31	-	2	GLORIA TREVI	La Trayectoria		29
30	36	32	91	JUANES	Mi Sangre		1
31	28	24	8	LA OREJA DE VAN GOGH	Guapa		5
32	26	20	12	TITO EL BAMBINO	Top Of The Line		3
33	32	30	8	LOS TUCANES DE TIJUANA	En Vivo - Siempre Contigo		23
34	42	37	11	BRONCO: EL GIGANTE DE AMERICA	30 Historias De Un Gigante		17
35	33	31	71	LOS CAMINANTES	Tesoros De Coleccion: Lo Romantico De Los Caminantes		22
36	34	25	67	RBD	Rebelde		2
37	RE-ENTRY	38	38	JENNI RIVERA	Parrandera, Rebelde Y Atrevida		10
38	39	36	7	LOS RAZOS	La Historia De Los Razos... Los Exitos		36
39	38	59	104	VICENTE FERNANDEZ	Tesoros De Coleccion		8
40	37	47	66	LUNY TUNES & BABY RANKS	Mas Flow 2		1
41	27	26	10	ALICIA VILLARREAL	Orgullo De Mujer		8
42	46	35	16	GUARDIANES DEL AMOR	Corazon Romantico: Los Exitos		20
43	50	39	1	VARIOUS ARTISTS	Unidos		11
44	45	33	6	K-PAZ DE LA SIERRA	Los Super Exitos		26
45	40	34	19	JOSE JOSE	La Historia Del Principe		12
46	43	38	17	CONJUNTO PRIMAVERA	Algo De Mi		2
47	47	57	43	LOS TIGRES DEL NORTE	20 Nortenas Famosas		4
48	59	54	37	DIANA REYES	La Reina Del Pasito Duranguense		24
49	69	66	6	GREATEST GAINER LOS CADETES DE LINARES	Las Mas Canoras		49
50	48	51	12	ALEJANDRA GUZMAN	Indeleble		22

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	2 WEEKS AGO	WEEKS ON CHART	ARTIST	Title	CERT.	PEAK POSITION
51	67	43	8	JENNI RIVERA	En Vivo Desde Hollywood		39
52	63	-	51	ANDY ANDY	Ironia		4
53	68	-	2	PACE SETTER EL CHAPO DE SINALOA	El Jaripeo		53
54	51	46	102	DADDY YANKEE	Barrio Fino		1
55	41	52	45	MARC ANTHONY	Valio La Pena		1
56	49	40	12	A.B. QUINTANILLA III PRESENTS KUMBIA KINGS	Kumbia Kings Live		18
57	52	49	28	YURIDIA	La Voz De Un Angel		16
58	58	60	8	LOS TEMERARIOS	Los Super Exitos Con Mariachi		16
59	57	64	50	REIK	Reik		34
60	54	44	8	EL CHAPO DE SINALOA	La Noche Perfecta		22
61	73	71	63	INTOCABLE	X		2
62	44	45	9	VARIOUS ARTISTS	Sangre Nueva		12
63	35	58	22	ANA GABRIEL	Dos Amores Un Amante		22
64	53	65	25	REGGAETON NINOS	Reggaeton Ninos Vol. 1		5
65	62	61	8	LOS RIELEROS DEL NORTE	Siempre Imitado, Jamas Igualado		20
66	60	62	53	MONCHY & ALEXANDRA	Hasta El Fin		7
67	61	56	10	ANAIS	Asi Soy Yo		11
68	64	63	6	PATRULLA 81	Lo Mejor De La Mejor... Coleccion		43
69	RE-ENTRY	2	2	GRUPO MONTEZ DE DURANGO	Lo Mejor De La Mejor... Coleccion		42
70	RE-ENTRY	8	8	MARIANO BARBA	Aliado Del Tiempo		48
71	65	41	3	GRUPO MONTEZ DE DURANGO/K-PAZ DE LA SIERRA	Grupo Montez De Durango Vs. K-Paz De La Sierra		41
72	66	50	3	DI BLASIO	La Historia Del Piano De America... Los Exitos		50
73	71	48	12	GRUPO BRYNDIS	Recordandote		8
74	74	72	52	MARCO ANTONIO SOLIS	La Historia Continua... Parte II		2
75	NEW	1	1	LIBERACION	Top Ten		75

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Billboard DANCE

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LATIN AIRPLAY POP

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)
1	2	HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FEATURING WYCLEF JEAN (EPIC/SONY BMG NORTE)
2	1	VOLVERTE A AMAR	ALEJANDRA GUZMAN (SONY BMG NORTE)
3	3	ME VOY	JURIETA VENEGAS (SONY BMG NORTE)
4	4	COMO DUELE (BARRERA DE AMOR)	NOELIA (EMI TELEVISION)
5	5	MUNECA DE TRAPO	LA OREJA DE VAN GOGH (SONY BMG NORTE)
6	9	ESTE CORAZON	RBD (EMI TELEVISION)
7	7	NUESTRO AMOR SE HA VUELTO AYER	VICTOR MANUELLE FEATURING YURIDIA (SONY BMG NORTE)
8	8	QUE ME ALCANCE LA VIDA	SIN BANDERA (SONY BMG NORTE)
9	6	LO QUE SON LAS COSAS	ANASIS (UNIVISION)
10	13	UNA CANCION QUE TE ENAMORE	SERVANDO Y FLORENTINO (VENEMUSIC)
11	11	TE ECHO DE MENOS	CHAYANNE (SONY BMG NORTE)
12	12	ABRAZAME	CAMILA (SONY BMG NORTE)
13	10	LO QUE ME GUSTA A MI	JUANES (SURCO/UNIVERSAL LATINO)
14	19	A TI	RICARDO ARJONA (SONY BMG NORTE)
15	15	DETALLES	YAHIR (WARNER LATINA)

LATIN ALBUMS POP

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	ARTIST	TITLE (IMPRINT / DISTRIBUTING LABEL)
1	1	VARIOUS ARTISTS	NOW LATINO (THE BM GROUP/UNIVERSAL ZOMBA/SONY BMG NORTE/SONY BMG STRATEGIC MARKETING GROUP)
2	4	JUAN GABRIEL	LA HISTORIA DEL DIVO (SONY BMG NORTE)
3	2	ANDREA BOCELLI	AMOR (SUGAR/VENEMUSIC/UNIVERSAL LATINO)
4	5	JULIETA VENEGAS	LIMON Y SAL (SONY BMG NORTE)
5	10	RBD	NUESTRO AMOR (EMI TELEVISION)
6	3	FRANKIE J	UN NUEVO DIA (COLUMBIA/SONY BMG NORTE)
7	7	ROCIO DURCAL	AMOR ETERNO (SONY BMG NORTE)
8	6	RICARDO ARJONA	ADENTRO (SONY BMG NORTE)
9	9	SHAKIRA	FIJACION ORAL VOL. 1 (EPIC/SONY MUSIC)
10	11	RBD	RBD: LIVE IN HOLLYWOOD (EMI TELEVISION)
11	13	ANA GABRIEL	HISTORIA DE UNA REINA (SONY BMG NORTE)
12	8	VARIOUS ARTISTS	SOMOS AMERICANOS (URBAN BOX OFFICE)
13	14	GLORIA TREVI	LA TRAYECTORIA (UNIVISION/UG)
14	17	JUANES	MI SANGRE (SURCO/UNIVERSAL LATINO)
15	12	LA OREJA DE VAN GOGH	GUAPA (SONY BMG NORTE)

TROPICAL

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)
1	2	NUESTRO AMOR SE HA VUELTO AYER	VICTOR MANUELLE FEATURING YURIDIA (SONY BMG NORTE)
2	6	NO ES UNA NOVELA	MONCHY & ALEXANDRA (J&N)
3	3	CAILE	LITO EL BAMBINO (EMI TELEVISION)
4	1	ANGELITO	IRON OMAR (VI/MACHETE)
5	7	QUE PRECIO TIENE EL CIELO	MARC ANTHONY (SONY BMG NORTE)
6	5	HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FEATURING WYCLEF JEAN (EPIC/SONY BMG NORTE)
7	13	MACHUCANDO	DADDY YANKEE (EL CARTEL/INTERSCOPE)
8	10	PRINCESA	FRANK REYES (J&N)
9	16	UNA CANCION QUE TE ENAMORE	SERVANDO Y FLORENTINO (VENEMUSIC)
10	12	LLAME PA' VERTE	WISIN & YANDEL (MACHETE)
11	-	COMO DUELE (BARRERA DE AMOR)	NOELIA (EMI TELEVISION)
12	15	MA' TAIDE	DON MIGUEL (J&N)
13	9	DOWN	RAXIM & KEN-Y (PINA/UNIVERSAL LATINO)
14	17	EN MI PUERTORRO	ANDY MONTANEZ (SGZ/UNIVISION)
15	22	CUANDO BAJE LA MAREA	EDGAR DANIEL (M.P.)

TROPICAL

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	ARTIST	TITLE (IMPRINT / DISTRIBUTING LABEL)
1	1	VICTOR MANUELLE	DECISION UNANIME (SONY BMG NORTE)
2	2	MONCHY & ALEXANDRA	EXITOS Y MAS (J&N/SONY BMG NORTE)
3	3	AVENTURA	GOD'S PROJECT (PREMIUM LATIN/SONY BMG NORTE)
4	7	ANDY ANDY	IRONIA (WEPA/URBAN BOX OFFICE)
5	4	MARC ANTHONY	VALIDO LA PENA (SONY BMG NORTE)
6	6	MONCHY & ALEXANDRA	HASTA EL FIN (J&N/SONY BMG NORTE)
7	9	ANDY MONTANEZ	SALSA CON REGGAETON (SGZ/UNIVISION/UG)
8	12	VARIOUS ARTISTS	PUTUMAYO PRESENTS: BAILA A LATIN DANCE PARTY (PUTUMAYO)
9	5	GILBERTO SANTA ROSA	DIRECTO AL CORAZON (SONY BMG NORTE)
10	13	INDIA	SOY DIFERENTE (SGZ/UNIVISION/UG)
11	10	GILBERTO SANTA ROSA & VICTOR MANUELLE	DDS SONEROS, UNA HISTORIA (SONY BMG NORTE)
12	11	VARIOUS ARTISTS	THE GREATEST SALSA EVER VOL. 1 (UNIVERSAL LATINO)
13	1	JUAN LUIS GUERRA	PARA TI (VENEMUSIC/UNIVERSAL LATINO)
14	16	MICHAEL STUART	BACK TO DA' BARRIO (MACHETE)
15	-	VARIOUS ARTISTS	BACHATA HITS 2006 (J&N/SONY BMG NORTE)

REGIONAL MEXICAN

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)
1	2	MAS ALLA DEL SOL	JOAN SEBASTIAN (MUSART/BALBOA)
2	1	ALIADO DEL TIEMPO	MARIANO BARBA (THREE SOUND)
3	3	QUE LASTIMA	ALFREDO RAMIREZ CDORRAL (UNIOOS/DISA)
4	4	DIGANLE	CONJUNTO PRIMAVERA (FONOVISIA)
5	5	ALGUIEN TE VA A HACER LLORAR	INTOCABLE (EMI TELEVISION)
6	11	TE COMPRO	DUERO (UNIVISION)
7	7	VOY A LLORAR POR TI	LOS RIELEROS DEL NORTE (FONOVISIA)
8	6	ADIOS A MI AMANTE	GRUPO MONTEZ DE DURANGO (DISA)
9	8	INGRATITUD	LOS TIGRES DEL NORTE (FONOVISIA)
10	9	MUCHACHITA DE OJOS TRISTES	SERGIO VEGA (SONY BMG NORTE)
11	12	DE CONTRABANDO	JENNI RIVERA (FONOVISIA)
12	10	PARA QUE REGRESSES	EL CHAPO DE SINALOA (DISA)
13	19	DETRAS DE LA PUERTA	EL CHAPO DE SINALOA (DISA)
14	14	PAYASO LOCO	PATRULLA 81 (DISA)
15	22	ME QUEDAN TODAS	VICENTE FERNANDEZ (SONY BMG NORTE)

REGIONAL MEXICAN

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	ARTIST	TITLE (IMPRINT / DISTRIBUTING LABEL)
1	-	ALACRANES MUSICAL	A PASO FIRME (UNIVISION/UG)
2	-	GRUPO MONTEZ DE DURANGO	BORRON Y CUENTA NUEVA (DISA)
3	3	PATRULLA 81	TIERRA EXTRAÑA (DISA)
4	2	JOAN SEBASTIAN	MAS ALLA DEL SOL (MUSART/BALBOA)
5	4	DUERO	RELACIONES CONFLICTIVAS (UNIVISION/UG)
6	6	LOS TIGRES DEL NORTE	HISTORIAS QUE CONTAR (FONOVISIA/UG)
7	5	RAMON AYALA Y SUS BRAVOS DEL NORTE	ANTOLOGIA DE UN REY VOL. 2 (FREDDIE)
8	8	LOS TUCANES DE TIJUANA	EN VIVO - SIEMPRE CONTIGO (UNIVISION/UG)
9	12	BRONCO: EL GIGANTE DE AMERICA	30 HISTORIAS DE UN GIGANTE (FONOVISIA/UG)
10	9	LOS CAMINANTES	TESOROS DE COLECCION: LO ROMANTICO DE LOS CAMINANTES (SONY BMG NORTE)
11	-	JENNI RIVERA	PARRANDERA, REBELDE Y ATREVIDA (FONOVISIA/UG)
12	11	LOS RAZOS	LA HISTORIA DE LOS RAZOS...LOS EXITOS (SONY BMG NORTE)
13	10	VICENTE FERNANDEZ	TESOROS DE COLECCION (SONY BMG NORTE)
14	7	ALICIA VILLARREAL	ORGULLO DE MUJER (UNIVERSAL LATINO)
15	15	GUARDIANES DEL AMOR	CORAZON ROMANTICO: LOS EXITOS (SONY BMG NORTE)

HOT DANCE CLUB PLAY

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT & NUMBER / PROMOTION LABEL)	
1	3	9	1	MAKE A MOVE ON ME	JOEY NEGRO SILVER LABEL 2503/TOMMY BOY
2	4	8	2	WORLD, HOLO ON (CHILDREN OF THE SKY)	BOB SINCLAIR YELLOW/SILVER LABEL 2505/TOMMY BOY
3	2	8	3	GET TOGETHER	MADONNA WARNER BROS. 42935
4	7	7	4	LOOK ON THE FLOOR (HYPNOTIC TANGO)	BANANARAMA THE LAB IMPORT/FUEL 2000
5	1	10	5	TRACKING TREASURE DOWN	GABRIEL & DRESDEN ORGANIZED NATURE 005
6	12	6	6	NOW THAT WE'VE FOUND LOVE	BUNNY RUGS GLOBAL PROMO
7	5	9	7	IT'S OVER	DI MIKE CRUZ PRESENTS JOY CARDEWELL & GEORGIE PORGE LIVE 010/MUSIC PLANT
8	13	8	8	I WILL STAND	CLAUDJA BARRY DONNAJEAN PROMO
9	19	3	9	UNFAITHFUL	RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM PROMO/OJMG
10	14	9	10	I AM NOT MY HAIR	INDIARIE UNIVERSAL MOTOWN PROMO
11	10	10	11	FADE AWAY	SARAH ATERETH BEGUILLE PROMO/LIGHTYEAR
12	8	12	12	THE ONE THAT GOT AWAY (WAMDUE/VALENTIN MIXES)	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD EPIC PROMO
13	16	6	13	I WILL	DOLCE PURCHASE PROMO
14	22	4	14	FACE THE MUSIC	CONJURE ONE NETWORK PROMO
15	6	13	15	FASTER KILL PUSSYCAT	DAKENFOLD FEAT. BRITTANY MURPHY MAVERICK 42906/REPRISE
16	17	5	16	YOU CAN TURN ME ON	MUZZAIK FEATURING MIA SILVER LABEL 2500/TOMMY BOY
17	11	12	17	SAY I	CHRISTINA MILJAN FEAT. YOUNG JEEZY ISLAND PROM/OJMG
18	9	11	18	INSTIGATOR	KACI BROWN THE OAS LABEL 006916/INTERSCDPE
19	31	3	19	C'EST LA VIE	KIM ENGLISH NERVOUS PROMO
20	25	4	20	CAFE CON ALEGRIA	TONY MORAN + DEEP INFLUENCE SILVER LABEL 2499/TOMMY BOY
21	18	13	21	HANDS UP TO HEAVEN	HEAVEN 17 NINTHWAVE 10040
22	30	4	22	THE TIME	CHRIS THE GREEK PANAGHI DJG PROMO
23	26	5	23	FAITH	LEANA SWEDISH DIVA PROMO
24	21	2	24	FALLING APART	THE LOVEMAKERS CHERRYTREE PROMO/INTERSCOPE
25	23	5	25	MY LOVE IS YOU	EYES OF LOVE ACT 2 011/MUSIC PLANT

TOP ELECTRONIC ALBUMS

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	ARTIST	TITLE (IMPRINT & NUMBER / DISTRIBUTING LABEL)	CERT.	
1	1	8	1	GNARLS BARKLEY	7 WKS ST. ELSEWHERE DOWNTOWN 70003*/ATLANTIC	
2	2	37	2	GORILLAZ	DEMON DAYS PARLOPHONE 73638*/VIRGIN	2
3	3	33	3	MADONNA	CONFESIONS ON A DANCE FLOOR WARNER BROS. 49460*	1
4	5	20	4	SHE WANTS REVENGE	SHE WANTS REVENGE PERFECT/ISS/FLAMELESS/GEFFEN 00587*/INTERSCOPE	
5	4	3	5	ZERO 7	THE GARDEN ULTIMATE DILEMMA/ATLANTIC 63380/A/3	
6	9	18	6	CAÇCADA	EVERYTIME WE TOUCH ROBBINS 75064	
7	6	4	7	DJ LIL' CEE/TREVOR SIMPSON	ULTRA WEEKEND 2 ULTRA 1411	
8	NEW	-	8	FATBOY SLIM	THE GREATEST HITS: WHY TRY HARDER SKINT 56814/ASTRALWERKS	
9	8	3	9	OAKENFOLD	A LIVELY MIND MAVERICK 49900/WARNER BROS.	
10	7	4	10	VIC LATINO	THRIVEMIX 02 THRIVEDANCE 90748/THRIVE	
11	10	34	11	IMOGEN HEAP	SPEAK FOR YOURSELF RCA VICTOR 72532	
12	11	9	12	TIESTO	IN SEARCH OF SUNRISE 5: LOS ANGELES SONG BRO 09/BLACK HOLE	
13	12	6	13	THIEVERY CORPORATION	VERSIONS EIGHTEENTH STREET LOUNGE 095	
14	14	9	14	THE STREETS	THE HARDEST WAY TO MAKE AN EASY LIVING VICE 63186*/ATLANTIC	
15	13	2	15	HOT CHIP	THE WARNING ASTRALWERKS 62814*	
16	17	16	16	GOLDFRAPP	SUPERNATURE MUTE	
17	15	36	17	DEPECHE MODE	PLAYING THE ANGEL SIRE/REPRISE 49348*/WARNER BROS.	3
18	16	2	18	BAD BOY JOE	THE BEST OF NYC AFTERHOURS 4: RELIVE THE MUSIC MEGAMIX 2008	
19	NEW	-	19	FRONT LINE ASSEMBLY	ARTIFICIAL SOLDIER METROPOLIS 80431	
20	21	6	20	ARMIN VAN BUUREN	A STATE OF TRANCE 2006 ULTRA 1401	
21	19	1	21	GOTAN PROJECT	LUNATICO XL 195*/BEGGARS GROUP	
22	24	39	22	VARIOUS ARTISTS	DISNEYREMIXMANIA WALT DISNEY 861354	
23	20	12	23	MASSIVE ATTACK	COLLECTED VIRGIN 80058*	
24	20	6	24	VARIOUS ARTISTS	#1 DISCO HITS MADACY SPECIAL PRODUCTS 52129/MADAC*	
25	20	22	25	BAD BOY JOE & JOHNNY BUDZ	ULTRADANCE.07 ULTRA 1358	

HOT DANCE AIRPLAY

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	TITLE	ARTIST (IMPRINT / PROMOTION LABEL)	
1	1	7	1	WHAT'S LEFT OF ME	2 WKS NICK LACHEY LIVE/ZOMBA
2	2	8	2	GET TOGETHER	MADONNA WARNER BROS.
3	3	11	3	FASTER KILL PUSSYCAT	OAKENFOLD FEAT. BRITTANY MURPHY MAVERICK/REPRISE
4	4	8	4	THE ONE THAT GOT AWAY	NATASHA BEDINGFIELD EPIC
5	5	9	5	SAY SOMETHIN'	MARIAH CAREY FEATURING SNOOP DOGG ISLAND/IDJMG
6	12	3	6	CRAZY	GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN/LAVA
7	6	7	7	LOOK ON THE FLOOR (HYPNOTIC TANGO)	BANANARAMA THE LAB/FUEL 2000
8	11	7	8	MIRACLE	CASCADA ROBBINS
9	9	17	9	WALK AWAY	KELLY CLARKSON RCA/RMG
10	21	2	10	UNFAITHFUL	RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM/IDJMG
11	8	22	11	BE WITHOUT YOU	MARY J. BLIGE GEFFEN
12	15	3	12	AIN'T NO OTHER MAN	CHRISTINA AGUILERA RCA/RMG
13	-	-	13	WAITING	TAXI DOLL WWW.TAXIDOLL.COM
14	NEW	-	14	STARS ARE BLIND	PARIS HILTON WARNER BROS.
15	17	5	15	WORLD, HOLO ON (CHILDREN OF THE SKY)	BOB SINCLAIR YELLOW/SILVER LABEL/TOMMY BOY
16	16	11	16	HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FEATURING WYCLEF JEAN EPIC
17	7	19	17	SOS	RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM/IDJMG
18	18	8	18	WAITING FOR YOU	NARCOTIC THRUST YOSHITOSHI/DEEP DISH
19	19	7	19	TRACKING TREASURE DOWN	GABRIEL & DRESDEN ORGANIZED NATURE
20	20	5	20	FADE AWAY	SARAH ATERETH BEGUILLE/LIGHTYEAR
21	13	16	21	FIRE	FERRY CORSTEN ULTRA
22	24	14	22	WATERMAN	OLAV BASOSKI FEATURING MICHE ONE ROBBINS
23	22	13	23	INCREDIBLE	SHAPE: UK NOCTURNAL GROOVE/POSITIVA
24	25	2	24	MAKE A MOVE ON ME	JOEY NEGRO SILVER LABEL/TOMMY BOY
25	23	6	25	S.O.S. (MESSAGE IN THE BOTTLE)	FILTERFUNK ULTRA

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THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(SOUNDSCAN JAPAN)	JUNE 27, 2006
1	NEW			BLUE BIRD (CD+DVD) BLUEBIRD AYUMI HAMASAKI A&E TRAX	
2				GOOD-BYE DAYS YUI HORIE SONY	
3	NEW			BLUE BIRD AYUMI HAMASAKI A&E TRAX	
4	NEW			BLUE BIRD (CD+DVD) BEAUTIFUL FIGHTERS AYUMI HAMASAKI A&E TRAX	
5	NEW			AMBITIOUS! YASHINTEKIDE IJAN (FIRST LTD EDITION) MORNING MUSUME ZE'IMA	
6		3		DAITE SENYORITA TOMOHISA YAMASHITA JOHNNY'S ENTERTAINMENT	
7	NEW			DIAMOND WAVE MAI KURAKI GIZA STUDIO	
8		5		MILK TEA/UTSUKUSIKI HANA MASAHARU FUKUYAMA UNIVERSAL	
9		8		TERU NO UTA AOI TESHIMA YAMAHA MUSIC COMMUNICATIONS	
10		1		BYE MY MELODY KEN HIRAI DEFSTAR	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(THE OFFICIAL UK CHARTS CO.)	JUNE 25, 2006
1		1		MANEATER NELLY FURTADO MOSLEY/GEFFEN	
2		3		HIPS DON'T LIE SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN EPIC	
3		2		I WISH I WAS A PUNK ROCKER SANDI THOM RCA	
4		46		SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLE MUZE A&E	
5		4		MONSTER THE AUTOMATIC B UNIQUE/POLYDOR	
6		29		MAS QUE NADA SERGIO MENDES FT. THE BLACK EYED PEAS HEAR/CONCORD	
7		6		FROM PARIS TO BERLIN INFERNAL BORDER BREAKERS	
8		39		ROOFTOPS (A LIBERATION BROADCAST) LOSTPROPHETS VISIBLE NOISE	
9		1		VALERIE THE ZUTONS DELTASONIC	
10		7		WHO KNEW PINK LAFACE/ZOMBA	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(MEDIA CONTROL)	JUNE 27, 2006
1		1		ZEIT DASS SICH WAS DREHT HERBERT GRONEMEYER FT. AMADOU COLUMBIA	
2		2		'54, '74, '90, 2006 SPORTFREUNDE STILLER VERTIGO	
3		3		HIPS DON'T LIE SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN EPIC	
4		4		SCHWARZ AUF WEISS MAX MUTZKE WARNER BROS.	
5		5		MANEATER NELLY FURTADO MOSLEY/GEFFEN	
6		6		CRAZY GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC	
7		7		NO NO NEVER TEXAS LIGHTNING X-CELL/SONY BMG	
8		8		HARD ROCK HALLELUJAH LORDI RCA	
9		9		LOVE GENERATION BOB SINCLAR FT. GARY PINE YELLOW PRODUCTION	
10		10		DANCE! GOLEO VI/LUMIDEE/FATMAN SCOOP MACH1/MOS	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		EURO DIGITAL TRACKS	
				(NIELSEN SOUNDSCAN INTERNATIONAL)	JULY 8, 2006
1		2		HIPS DON'T LIE SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN EPIC	
2		1		MANEATER NELLY FURTADO MOSLEY/GEFFEN	
3		3		CRAZY (SINGLE VERSION) GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC	
4		5		MONSTER THE AUTOMATIC B-UNIQUE/POLYDOR	
5		9		UNFAITHFUL RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM	
6	NEW			AIN'T NO OTHER MAN CHRISTINA AGUILERA RCA	
7		10		MAS QUE NADA SERGIO MENDES FT. THE BLACK EYED PEAS HEAR/CONCORD	
8		12		BUTTONS THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS FT. SNOOP DOGG A&M/INTERSCOPE	
9		8		WHO KNEW PINK LAFACE/ZOMBA	
10		4		I WISH I WAS A PUNK ROCKER (WITH FLOWERS IN MY HAIR) SANDI THOM VIKING LEGACY	
	RE			SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLE MUZE ATLANTIC	
12		9		DANI CALIFORNIA (ALBUM VERSION) RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS WARNER BROS.	
13		7		IS IT ANY WONDER? KEANE ISLAND	
14		13		SHE MOVES IN HER OWN WAY THE KOOKS VIRGIN	
15	NEW			MANEATER (ALBUM VERSION) NELLY FURTADO MOSLEY/GEFFEN	
16		15		ROOFTOPS (A LIBERATION BROADCAST) LOSTPROPHETS VISIBLE NOISE	
17		16		'54, '74, '90, 2006 SPORTFREUNDE STILLER VERTIGO	
18		11		ZEIT DASS SICH WAS DREHT (THE OFFICIAL FIFA 2006 WORLD CUP ANTHEM) HERBERT GRONEMEYER FT. AMADOU UND MARIAM COLUMBIA	
19	NEW			VALERIE THE ZUTONS DELTASONIC	
20		20		FILL MY LITTLE WORLD (EDIT) THE FEELING ISLAND/DJMG	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(SNEP/IFOP/TITE-LIVE)	JUNE 27, 2006
1				WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS (DING A DANG DONG) CRAZY FROG MACH1 RECORDS	
2	NEW			ROC NADIYA COLUMBIA	
3		2		LIVING ON VIDEO PAKITO PANIC/ULM	
4	NEW			LA OU JE T'EMMENERAI FLORENT PAGNY MERCURY	
5		5		JEUNE DEMOISELLE DIAM'S HOSTILE	
6		3		EYE OF THE TIGER AMEL BENT JIVE	
7		4		HIPS DON'T LIE SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN EPIC	
8		7		JE M'APPELLE BAGDAD TINA ARENA COLUMBIA	
9		6		LE RAGGA DES PINGUINS PIGLDD M6 INT/SCORPIO MUSIC	
10		8		LES BETISES BEBE LILLY HEBEN	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(ARIA)	JUNE 25, 2006
1		1		HIPS DON'T LIE SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN EPIC	
2		4		THIS TIME I KNOW IT'S FOR REAL THE YOUNG DIVAS SONY BMG	
3		6		WHO KNEW PINK LAFACE/ZOMBA	
4		3		CRAZY GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC	
5		2		SOS (RESCUE ME) RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM	
6		7		BLACKFINGERNAILS, RED WINE ESKIMO JOE WARNER	
7		8		FLAUNT IT! TV ROCK BIMBO ROCK	
8		11		TEMPERATURE SEAN PAUL VP/ATLANTIC	
9		18		A SLOW DESCENT THE BUTTERFLY EFFECT ROADSHOW	
10		5		RUNNING EVERMORE EAST WEST	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		DIGITAL SINGLES	
				(SOUNDSCAN)	JULY 8, 2006
1		1		PROMISCUOUS NELLY FURTADO FT. TIMBALAND MOSLEY/GEFFEN/UNIVERSAL	
2		2		CRAZY GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC	
3		3		HIPS DON'T LIE SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN EPIC/SONY BMG MUSIC	
4	NEW			STARS ARE BLIND PARIS HILTON WARNER	
5		6		AIN'T NO OTHER MAN CHRISTINA AGUILERA RCA/SONY BMG MUSIC	
6		4		SOS RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM/UNIVERSAL	
7		5		DANI CALIFORNIA (ALBUM VERSION) RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS WARNER	
8		8		UNFAITHFUL RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM/UNIVERSAL	
9		7		NOT READY TO MAKE NICE DIXIE CHICKS COLUMBIA/SONY BMG MUSIC	
10	NEW			EASY BARENAKED LADIES DESPERATION/WARNER	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(FIMI/NIELSEN)	JUNE 28, 2006
1		1		STOP! DIMENTICA TIZIANO FERRO CAPITOL	
2		23		GET TOGETHER MADONNA WARNER BROS.	
3		2		HIPS DON'T LIE SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN EPIC	
4		5		CRAZY GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC	
5		1		CUORE AZZURRO POOH ATLANTIC	
6		3		SVEGLIARSI LA MATTINA ZERO ASSOLUTO UNIVERSO	
7		1		WORLD HOLD ON BOB SINCLAR FT. STEVE EDWARDS YELLOW PRODUCTION	
8		10		NOTTE DI MEZZA ESTATE BENNATO & BRIT UNIVERSAL	
9	NEW			SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLE MUZE A&E	
10		8		SOONER OR LATER DUNCAN JAMES INNOCENT	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(PROMUSICAE/MEDIA)	JUNE 28, 2006
1	NEW			GET TOGETHER MADONNA WARNER BROS.	
2	NEW			THEY DON'T CARE ABOUT US MICHAEL JACKSON EPIC	
3		1		EARTH SONG MICHAEL JACKSON EPIC	
4		3		VIVIR PARA CONTARLO B/W HACIENDO LO VIDLADORES DEL VERSO BOACOR	
5		6		WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS (DING A DANG DONG) CRAZY FROG MACH1 RECORDS	
6		4		JOHN THE REVELATOR/LILIAN DEPECHE MODE MUTE	
7		2		YOU ARE NOT ALONE MICHAEL JACKSON EPIC	
8		8		HIMNO OFICIAL DEL SEVILLA FC EL ARREBATO CAPITOL	
9		7		HEAL THE WORLD MICHAEL JACKSON EPIC	
10	NEW			STOP! OLVIDATE TIZIANO FERRO CAPITOL	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		ALBUMS	
				(BIMSA)	JUNE 27, 2006
1		1		JULIETA VENEGAS LIMON Y SAL SONY BMG	
2		2		SHAKIRA ORAL FIXATION VOL. 2 EPIC	
3		3		ALLISON ALLISON SONY BMG	
4		5		THE BLACK EYED PEAS MONKEY BUSINESS A&M/INTERSCOPE	
5		4		ALEJANDRA GUZMAN INDELEBLE SONY BMG	
6		11		GUSTAVO CERATI AHI VAMOS SONY BMG	
7		10		DIVISION MINUSCULA DEFECTO PERFECTO UNIVERSAL	
8		13		LA OREJA DE VAN GOGH GUAPA SONY BMG	
9		7		ANDREA BOCELLI AMORE POLYDOR	
10		12		ROCIO DURCAL ME GUSTAS MUCHO TODOS SUS GRANDES EXITOS SONY BMG	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(PROMUVI)	JUNE 28, 2006
1		1		HIPS DON'T LIE SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN EPIC	
2		4		CRAZY GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC	
3		6		GOOD MORNING MIKE MIKE NJ	
4		9		JEUNE DEMOISELLE DIAM'S HOSTILE	
5		5		LIVING ON VIDEO PAKITO PANIC/ULM	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		ALBUMS	
1		1		GAROU GAROU COLUMBIA	
2		3		FLORENT PAGNY ABRACADABRA MERCURY	
3		2		PASCAL BRUEL LES FLEURS DU BIEN EPIC	
4		5		KEANE UNDER THE IRON SEA ISLAND	
5		7		RAPHAEL CARAVANE CAPITOL	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(MEDIA CONTROL)	JUNE 27, 2006
1		1		BRING EN HEI BASCHI UNIVERSAL	
2		2		CRAZY GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC	
3		3		HIPS DON'T LIE SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN EPIC	
4		4		MANEATER NELLY FURTADO MOSLEY/GEFFEN	
5		5		ONE MARY J. BLIGE FT. U2 MATRI#C/W/GEFFEN	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		ALBUMS	
1		1		NELLY FURTADO LOOSE MOSLEY/GEFFEN	
2	NEW			DJ ANTOINE LIVE IN ST. TROPEZ MUSIKVERTRIEB	
3		3		RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS STADIUM ARCADEUM WARNER BROS.	
4		2		KEANE UNDER THE IRON SEA ISLAND	
5		4		GNARLS BARKLEY ST. ELSEWHERE DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(YLE)	JUNE 28, 2006
1		1		MIKA KESA VALVOMO UNIVERSAL	
2	NEW			SEKAISIN ANTI TUISKU HMC	
3	NEW			UUH TIINA SANILA TUUPA RECORDS	
4	NEW			MOMENTUM SARA MERCURY	
5		2		RUKOUS MAI KARMA MEGAMANIA	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		ALBUMS	
1		1		LORDI THE APOCALYPSE RCA	
2		2		TERASBETONI VAADIMME METALLIA WARNER	
3		4		JUANES MI SANGRE SURCO	
4		3		KATRI YLANDER KATRI YLANDER RCA	
5		5		POETS OF THE FALL CARNIVAL OF RUST POFT/PLAYGROUND	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		ALBUMS	
				(ZWI.ZEK PRODUCCENTOW AUDIO VIDEO)	JUNE 23, 2006
1		2		VARIOUS ARTISTS THE BEST SMOOTH JAZZ...EVERI VOL.3 POMATON	
2		17		VARIOUS ARTISTS NAJLEPSZA MUZYKA RMF 2005 SONY BMG	
3		3		MYSLOVITZ HAPPINESS IS EASY MYSLOVITZ/HOUSE MANAGEMENT	
4		1		COMA ZAPRZEPASZCZDNE SILY WIELKIEJ ARMII... SONY BMG	
5		7		PIOTR RUBIK RUBIKON MJM	
6		5		VARIOUS ARTISTS TU ES PETRUS - TY JESTES SKALA MAGIC	
7		4		RENI JUSIS MAGNES PINK PONG	
8	NEW			MIECZYSLAW SZCZESNIAK ZWYKLY CUD POLSKI RADIO	
9		9		VARIOUS ARTISTS TOP KIDS 7 MAGIC	
10		22		VARIOUS ARTISTS RMF FM NAJLEPSZA MUZYKA NA WIOSNE SONY BMG	

THIS WEEK		LAST WEEK		SINGLES	
				(MAHASZ)	JUNE 23, 2006
1		1		GET TOGETHER MADONNA WARNER BROS.	
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EUROCHARTS

SINGLE SALES

EUROCHARTS ARE COMPILED BY BILLBOARD FROM THE NATIONAL SINGLES AND ALBUM SALES CHARTS OF 20 EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. JUNE 28, 2006

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	ARTIST	TITLE / IMPRINT & NUMBER / DISTRIBUTING LABEL
1	1	HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN EPIC
2	2	MANEATER	NELLY FURTADO MOSLEY/GEFFEN
3	3	WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS (DING A DANG DONG)	CRAZY FROG MACH1 RECORDS
4	4	CRAZY	GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC
		ZEIT DASS SICHER WAS DREHT	HERBERT GRONEMAYER FT. AMADOU COLUMBIA
NEW		ROC	NADIA COLUMBIA
		LIVING ON VIDEO	PAKITO PANIC/ULM
NEW		SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLE	MUSE A&E
9	6	I WISH I WAS A PUNK ROCKER	SANDI THOM RCA
10	11	'54, '74, '90, 2006	SPORTFREUNDE STILLER VERTIGO
11	33	MAS QUE NADA	SERGIO MENDES FT. THE BLACK EYED PEAS HEAR/CONCORD
12	10	WHO KNEW	PINK LAFACE/ZOMBA
13	NEW	LA OU JE TEMMENERAI	FLORENT PAGNY MERCURY
14	12	HARD ROCK HALLELUJAH	LORDI RCA
15	9	SOS	RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM

ALBUMS

JUNE 28, 2006

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	ARTIST	TITLE / IMPRINT & NUMBER / DISTRIBUTING LABEL
1	1	KEANE	UNDER THE IRON SEA ISLAND
2	2	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS	STADIUM ARCADIUM WARNER BROS.
3	3	SHAKIRA	ORAL FIXATION VOL. 2 EPIC
4	3	NELLY FURTADO	LOOSE MOSLEY/GEFFEN
5	NEW	MADONNA	I'M GOING TO TELL YOU A SECRET WARNER BROS.
6	19	THE DIXIE CHICKS	TAKING THE LONG WAY COLUMBIA
7	5	GNARLS BARKLEY	ST. ELSEWHERE DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC
8	NEW	FATBOY SLIM	WHY TRY HARDER - THE GREATEST HITS SKINT
9	15	PINK	I'M NOT DEAD LAFACE/ZOMBA
10	NEW	AUTOMATIC	NOT ACCEPTED ANYWHERE B-UNIQUE/POLYDOR
11	16	SPORTFREUNDE STILLER	YOU HAVE TO WIN ZWEIKAMPF VERTIGO
12	14	GAROU	GAROU COLUMBIA
13	11	KATIE MELUA	PIECE BY PIECE DRAMATICO
14	18	JUANES	MI SANGRE UNIVERSAL
15	8	LORDI	THE APOCALYPSE RCA

RADIO AIRPLAY

RADIO AIRPLAY INFORMATION FROM 17 EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AS MONITORED AND TABULATED BY NIELSEN MUSIC CONTROL. JUNE 28, 2006

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	ARTIST	TITLE / IMPRINT & NUMBER / DISTRIBUTING LABEL
1	1	HIPS DON'T LIE	SHAKIRA FT. WYCLEF JEAN SONY BMG
2	2	CRAZY	GNARLS BARKLEY DOWNTOWN/ATLANTIC
3	3	SOS	RIHANNA SRP/DEF JAM
4	4	DANI CALIFORNIA	RED HIT CHILLI PEPPERS WARNER BROS.
5	6	IS IT ANY WONDER?	KEANE ISLAND
6	5	SIN SIN SIN	ROBBIE WILLIAMS CHRYSALIS
7	10	MANEATER	NELLY FURTADO MOSLEY/GEFFEN
8	8	A DIOS LE PIDO	JUANES SURCO
9	7	BECAUSE OF YOU	KELLY CLARKSON RCA
10	11	WHO KNEW	PINK LAFACE/ZOMBA
11	9	UPSIDE DOWN	JACK JOHNSON JACK JOHNSON/BRUSHFIRE/UNIVERSAL
12	12	ONE	MARY J. BLIGE MATRIARCH/GEFFEN
13	13	BEEP	THE PUSSYCAT DOLLS FT. WILL I AM A&M/INTERSCOPE
14	16	WORLD HOLD ON	BOB SINCLAIR YELLOW PRODUCTION
15	21	MAS QUE NADA	SERGIO MENDES FT. THE BLACK EYED PEAS HEAR/CONCORD

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TOP JAZZ

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	ARTIST	TITLE / IMPRINT & NUMBER / DISTRIBUTING LABEL	CERT.
1	1	12	MICHAEL BUBLE	IT'S TIME 143/REPRISE 48946/WARNER BROS. Ⓢ	
2	2	10	DIANA ROSS	BLUE UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 005694/UMRG	
3	3	3	ELVIS COSTELLO & ALLEN TOUSSAINT	THE RIVER IN REVERSE VERVE FORECAST 006660/VG Ⓢ	
4	4	3	KATIE MELUA	PIECE BY PIECE DRAMATICO/UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 006868/UMRG	
5	5	36	CHRIS BOTTI	NO LOVE AGAIN: THE DUETS COLUMBIA 77505/SONY MUSIC Ⓢ	
6	6	8	NAT KING COLE	THE VERY BEST OF NAT KING COLE CAPITOL 59324	
7	7	31	MICHAEL BUBLE	LAUGHT IN THE ACT 143/REPRISE 49444/WARNER BROS. Ⓢ	
8	8	31	CHRIS BOTTI	WHEN I FALL IN LOVE COLUMBIA 92872/SONY MUSIC Ⓢ	
9	9	5	DR. JOHN	MERCERNARY BLUE NOTE 54541	
10	9	93	MADELEINE PEYROUX	PAROLESS LOVE ROUNDER 613192	
11	10	30	THELONIOUS MONK QUARTET WITH JOHN COLTRANE	AT CARNegie HALL THELONIOUS 35173*/BLUE NOTE	
12	13	2	GORDON GOODWIN'S BIG PHAT BAND	THE PHAT PACK IMMERGENT 284404	
13	13	12	CASSANDRA WILSON	THUNDERBIRD BLUE NOTE 63398	
14	17	5	YELLOWJACKETS	TWENTY FIVE HEADS UP 3112 Ⓢ	
15	12	9	VARIOUS ARTISTS	LEGENDS OF JAZZ WITH RAMSEY LEWIS: SHOWCASE LRS MEDIA 96870 Ⓢ	
16	14	3	DIANNE REEVES	GOOD NIGHT, AND GOOD LUCK (SOUNDTRACK) CONCORD JAZZ 2307/CONCORD	
17	15	3	VARIOUS ARTISTS	THE HOUSE THAT TRANE BUILT: THE BEST OF IMPULSE RECORDS IMPULSE 006744/VG	
18	19	1	REGINA CARTER	I'LL BE SEEING YOU VERVE 00002/VG	
19	23	1	FRANK CATALANO	MIGHTY BURNER BRIGHT 501	
20	18	2	LOUIS ARMSTRONG	THE DEFINITIVE COLLECTION HIP-O/VERVE/CHRONICLES 004893/UME	
21	21	25	VARIOUS ARTISTS	JAZZ NEW ORLEANS 2005: A BENEFIT ALBUM NONESUCH 79934/WARNER BROS.	
22	RE-ENTRY	1	RALPH TOWNER	TIME LINE ECM 006312/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
23	RE-ENTRY	1	JACO PASTORIUS BIG BAND	THE WORD IS OUT! HEADS UP 3110	
24	2E	3	ROY HARGROVE	NOTHING SERIOUS VERVE 006211/VG	
25	RE-ENTRY	1	VARIOUS ARTISTS	VINTAGE VERVE VERVE 004292/VG	

TOP CLASSICAL

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	ARTIST	TITLE / IMPRINT & NUMBER / DISTRIBUTING LABEL	CERT.
1	1	14	THE 5 BROWNS	12 WKS NO BOUNDARIES RCA RED SEAL 78719/SONY BMG MASTERWORKS Ⓢ	
2	1	7	DAWN UPSHAW/ATLANTA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA (SPANO)	GOLDOV: ANADAMAR: FOUNTAIN OF TEARS DG 006429/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
3	3	10	JOEL FAN	WORLD KEYS REFERENCE 106	
4	2	13	ANDRE RIEU	THE FLYING DUTCHMAN DENON 17570	
5	4	32	ANDRE RIEU	TUSCANY DENON 7431	
6	21	1	MITSUKO UCHIDA	BEETHOVEN: PIANO SONATAS PHILIPS 006379/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
7	6	33	THE 5 BROWNS	THE 5 BROWNS RED SEAL 66007/SONY BMG MASTERWORKS Ⓢ	
8	9	7	LONDON PHILHARMONIC/ANNE-SOPHIE MUTTER	MOZART: VIOLIN CONCERTOS 1-5 DG 005078/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
9	5	5	JUAN DIEGO FLOREZ	SENTIMIENTO LATINO DECCA 006295/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
10	8	31	YO-YO MA WITH ROMA SINFONIETTA ORCHESTRA (MORRICONE)	YO-YO MA PLAYS ENNIO MORRICONE SONY CLASSICAL 93456/SONY BMG MASTERWORKS Ⓢ	
11	7	15	LANG LANG	MEMORY DG 005827/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
12	16	34	YO-YO MA/THE SILK ROAD ENSEMBLE	SILK ROAD JOURNEYS: BEYOND THE HORIZON SONY CLASSICAL 93962/SONY BMG MASTERWORKS	
13	1E	18	RENEE FLEMING	SACRED SONGS DECCA 005193/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
14	1E	18	SOUNDTRACK	MATCH POINT MILAN 36145	
15	2E	52	MORMON TABERNACLE CHOIR WITH ORCHESTRA AT TEMPLE SQUARE (JESSOP)	CHOOSE SOMETHING LIKE A STAR MORMON TABERNACLE CHOIR 0005	
16	1E	6	MAURIZIO POLLINI	CHOPIN: NOCTURNES DG 005804/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
17	1	35	ANDRE RIEU	NEW YEAR'S IN VIENNA DENON 17572	
18	13	2	VIENNA PHILHARMONIC (BOULEZ)	MAHLER: SYMPHONY NO. 2 DG 006684/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
19	RE-ENTRY	1	VARIOUS ARTISTS	THE INSTYLE WEDDING COLLECTION DMI 78034	
20	14	12	PLACIDO DOMINGO	ITALIA, TI AMO DG 005318/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
21	2E	8	CHRISTOPHER PARKENING	GEMINI: GRACE LIKE A RIVER EMI CLASSICS 56418/ANGEL	
22	RE-ENTRY	1	I MUSICI/PINA CARMIRELLI	VIVALDI: THE FOUR SEASONS PHILIPS 006778/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
23	RE-ENTRY	1	CECILIA BARTOLI	OPERA PROIBITA DECCA 005151/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
24	7	2	MAHLER CHAMBER ORCHESTRA (ABBADO)	MOZART: DIE ZAUBERFLOTE DG 006428/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
25	RE-ENTRY	1	POLYPHONY (LAYTON)	WHITACRE: CLOUDBURST AND OTHER CHORAL WORKS HYPERION 67543/HARMONIA MUNDI	

TOP CONTEMPORARY JAZZ

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	ARTIST	TITLE / IMPRINT & NUMBER / DISTRIBUTING LABEL	CERT.
1	2	13	HERBIE HANCOCK	3 WKS POSSIBILITIES HEAR/HANCOCK 70013/VECTOR	
2	7	10	MINDI ABAIR	LIFE LESS ORDINARY GRP 006222/VG	
3	5	5	MARION MEADOWS	CRESSED TO CHILL HEADS UP 3106	
4	9	37	JAMIE CULLUM	CATCHING TALES VERVE FORECAST/UNIVERSAL 005478/VG/UMRG Ⓢ	
5	17	4E	BRIAN CULBERTSON	IT'S ON TONIGHT GRP 004535/VG	
6	1	3	WILL DOWNING	THE BEST OF WILL DOWNING: THE MILLENNIUM COLLECTION HIP-O 004869/UME	
7	3	14	GERALD ALBRIGHT	NEW BEGINNINGS PEAK 8540/CONCORD	
8	4	8	EVERETTE HARP	IN THE MOMENT SHANACHIE 5140	
9	16	22	KENNY G	THE ESSENTIAL KENNY G LEGACY/ARISTA 75487/RMG	
10	12	5	ROB WHITE	LET IT RIDE E2 90953/ORPHEUS	
11	13	16	HERB ALPERT'S TIJUANA BRASS	WHIPPED CREAM & OTHER DELIGHTS: RE-WHIPPED SHOUT! FACTORY 97641/SONY MUSIC	
12	8	76	ERIC DARIUS	JUST GETTING STARTED NARADA JAZZ 60556/NARADA	
13	11	33	RAMSEY LEWIS	WITH ONE VOICE NARADA JAZZ 60699/NARADA	
14	23	2	VARIOUS ARTISTS	SWEET & SEXY: THE BEST OF NEW URBAN JAZZ NARADA JAZZ 58372/NARADA	
15	24	1	VERNON NEILLY	G-FIRE II BOOSWEET 0005	
16	8	1E	BELA FLECK & THE FLECKTONES	THE HIDDEN LAND COLUMBIA 96417/SONY MUSIC Ⓢ	
17	21	3E	KENNY G	AT LAST... THE DUETS ALBUM ARISTA 62470/RMG	
18	6	1E	NORMAN BROWN	THE VERY BEST OF NORMAN BROWN GRP 005630/VG	
19	RE-ENTRY	1	LIZZ WRIGHT	DREAMING WIDE AWAKE VERVE FORECAST 004069/VG	
20	14	1	SPYRO GYRA	WRAPPED IN A DREAM HEADS UP 3107	
21	2E	33	KIRK WHALUM	KIRK WHALUM PERFORMS THE BABYFACE SONGBOOK RENDEZVOUS 5112	
22	1E	13	PIECES OF A DREAM	PILLOW TALK HEADS UP 3105	
23	RE-ENTRY	1	EUGE GROOVE	JUST FEELS RIGHT NARADA JAZZ 60499/NARADA	
24	RE-ENTRY	1	CHRIS STANDING	SOUL EXPRESS V2 90520	
25	RE-ENTRY	1	THE RH FACTOR	DISTRACTIONS VERVE 005987/VG	

TOP CLASSICAL CROSSOVER

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART	ARTIST	TITLE / IMPRINT & NUMBER / DISTRIBUTING LABEL	CERT.
1	2	21	ANDREA BOCELLI	24 WKS AMORE SUGAR/DECCA 006089/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
2	3	23	IL DIVO	ANCORA SYCO/COLUMBIA 76914/SONY MUSIC	
3	4	6E	IL DIVO	IL DIVO SYCO/COLUMBIA 93963/SONY MUSIC Ⓢ	
4	3	13	ANDREA BOCELLI	AMOR SUGAR/VENEMUSIC 006144/UNIVERSAL LATINO	
5	5	10	ANDREA BOCELLI	ANDREA PHILIPS 003513/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
6	6	5	SOUNDTRACK	THE DA VINCI CODE DECCA 006479/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
7	8	33	SOUNDTRACK	PRIDE & PREJUDICE DECCA 005620/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
8	7	5	MORMON TABERNACLE CHOIR	THEN SINGS MY SOUL MORMON TABERNACLE CHOIR 70036	
9	13	40	SOUNDTRACK	STAR WARS EPISODE III: REVENGE OF THE SITH SONY CLASSICAL 94220/SONY BMG MASTERWORKS Ⓢ	
10	9	31	JOHN WILLIAMS/YO-YO MA/ITZHAK PERLMAN	MEMOIRS OF A GEISHA (SOUNDTRACK) SONY CLASSICAL 74708/SONY BMG MASTERWORKS	
11	11	36	HAYLEY WESTENRA	ODYSSEY DECCA 005440/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
12	12	41	MORMON TABERNACLE CHOIR	LOVE IS SPOKEN HERE MORMON TABERNACLE CHOIR 0017	
13	3	35	SARAH BRIGHTMAN	LOVE CHANGES EVERYTHING: THE ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER COLLECTION VOL. 2 DECCA 005700/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
14	4	24	CHLOE	WALKING IN THE AIR MANHATTAN 42961	
15	2	32	THE EAST VILLAGE OPERA COMPANY	THE EAST VILLAGE OPERA COMPANY DECCA 005181/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
16	5	17	TIM JANIS	COASTAL AMERICA TIM JANIS ENSEMBLE 1116	
17	RE-ENTRY	1	IL DIVO	THE CHRISTMAS COLLECTION SYCO/COLUMBIA 97715/SONY MUSIC	
18	1E	52	BOND	EXPLOSIVE: THE BEST OF BOND MBO/DECCA 004748/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP Ⓢ	
19	1E	9	EDGAR MEYER	EDGAR MEYER SONY CLASSICAL 96505/SONY BMG MASTERWORKS	
20	24	40	THE IRISH TENORS	SACRED: A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY RAZOR & TIE 82929	
21	2	90	SARAH BRIGHTMAN	LIVE FROM LAS VEGAS NEMO STUDIO 57801/ANGEL	
22	RE-ENTRY	1	VARIOUS ARTISTS	STRING QUARTET TRIBUTE TO FALL OUT BOY VITAMIN 9085	
23	RE-ENTRY	1	AMICI FOREVER	DEFINED RCA VICTOR 68883/RMG	
24	13	19	SISSSEL	INTO PARADISE DECCA 006140/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	
25	17	3	THE TEN TENORS	TECHNOLOGY RHINO 73397/WARNER STRATEGIC MARKETING	

CHARTS LEGEND

SEE BELOW FOR COMPLETE LEGEND INFORMATION.

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SALES DATA COMPILED BY



ALBUM CHARTS

Sales data compiled from a comprehensive pool of U.S. music merchants by Nielsen SoundScan. Sales data for R&B/hip-hop retail charts is compiled by Nielsen SoundScan from a national subset of core stores that specialize in those genres.

● Albums with the greatest sales gains this week.

GREATEST GAINER GG Where included, this award indicates the title with the chart's largest unit increase.

PACE SETTER Where included, this award indicates the title with the chart's biggest percentage growth.

HEATSEEKER GRADUATE Indicates album entered top 100 of The Billboard 200 and has been removed from Heatseekers chart.

PRICING/CONFIGURATION

CD/Cassette prices are suggested list or equivalent prices, which are projected from wholesale prices. Ⓣ after price indicates album on y available on DualDisc. CD/DVD after price indicates CD/DVD combo only available. Ⓢ DualDisc available. Ⓡ CD/DVD combo available. * indicates vinyl LP is available. Pricing and vinyl LP availability are not included on all charts.

SINGLES CHARTS

RADIO AIRPLAY SINGLES CHARTS

Compiled from a national sample of data supplied by Nielsen Broadcast Data Systems. Charts are ranked by number of gross audience impressions, computed by cross-referencing exact times of airplay with Arbitron listener data. The exceptions are the Rhythmic Top 40, Adult Top 40, Adult Contemporary, Modern Rock and Adult R&B charts, which are ranked by total detections.

● Songs showing an increase in audience (or detections) over the previous week, regardless of chart movement.

RECURRENT RULES

Songs are removed from the Hot 100 and Hot 100 Airplay charts simultaneously if they have been on the Hot 100 for more than 20 weeks and rank below 50. Songs are removed from the Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Songs and Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Airplay charts simultaneously if they have been on the Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Singles & Tracks for more than 20 weeks and rank below 50. Songs are removed from the Pop 100 and Pop 100 Airplay charts simultaneously if they have been on the Pop 100 for more than 30 weeks and rank below 30. Titles are removed from Hot Country Songs if they have been on the chart for more than 20 weeks and rank below 13 in detections or audience, provided that they are not still gaining enough audience points to bullet. Songs are removed from the Adult Top 40, Adult Contemporary, Adult R&B, and Hot Dance Airplay charts if they have been on the chart for more than 20 weeks and rank below 15 (20 for Modern Rock and Latin) or if they have been on the chart for more than 52 weeks and below 10.

SINGLES SALES CHARTS

The top selling singles compiled from a national sample of retail store, mass merchant, and internet sales reports collected, compiled, and provided by Nielsen SoundScan. For R&B/Hip-Hop Singles Sales, sales data is compiled from a national subset panel of core R&B/Hip-Hop stores by Nielsen SoundScan.

● Singles with the greatest sales gains.

CONFIGURATIONS

Ⓣ CD single available. Ⓢ Digital Download available. Ⓢ DVD single available. Ⓢ Vinyl Maxi-Single available. Ⓢ Vinyl Single available. Ⓢ CD Maxi-Single available. Configurations are not included on all singles charts.

HITPREDICTOR

☆ Indicates title earned HitPredictor status. In that particular format based on research data provided by Promosquad. Songs are tested online by Promosquad using multiple listens and a nationwide sample of carefully profiled music consumers. Songs are rated on a 1-5 scale; final results are based on weighted positives. Songs with a score of 65 or more (75 or more for country) are judged to have Hit Potential; although that benchmark number can fluctuate per format based on the strength of available music. For a complete and updated list of current songs with Hit Potential, commentary, polls and more, please visit www.hitpredictor.com.

DANCE CLUB PLAY

Compiled from a national sample of reports from club DJs.

● Titles with the greatest club play increase over the previous week.

AWARD CERTIFICATIONS

ALBUM CHARTS

● Recording Industry Assn. Of America (RIAA) certification for net shipment of 500,000 albums (Gold). ■ RIAA certification for net shipment for 1 million units (Platinum). ◆ RIAA certification for net shipment of 10 million units (Diamond). Numeral within Platinum or Diamond symbol indicates album's multi-platinum level. For boxed sets and double albums with a running time of 100 minutes or more, the RIAA multiplies shipments by the number of discs and/or tapes. ○ Certification for net shipments of 100,000 units (Oro). □ Certification of 200,000 units (Platino). Ⓢ Certification of 400,000 units (Multi-Platino).

SINGLES CHARTS

● RIAA certification for 100,000 paid downloads (Gold). ■ RIAA certification for 200,000 paid downloads (Platinum). Numeral within platinum symbol indicates song's multi-platinum level. ○ RIAA certification for net shipment of 500,000 singles (Gold).

MUSIC VIDEO SALES CHARTS

● RIAA gold certification for net shipment of 25,000 units for video singles. ○ RIAA gold certification for net shipment of 50,000 units for shortform or longform videos. ■ RIAA platinum certification for net shipment of 50,000 units for video singles. □ RIAA platinum certification for sales of 100,000 units for shortform or longform videos.

DVD SALES/MS SALES/VIDEO RENTALS

● RIAA gold certification for net shipment of 50,000 units or \$1 million in sales at suggested retail price. ■ RIAA platinum certification for sales of 100,000 units or \$2 million in sales at suggested retail price. ○ IRMA gold certification for a minimum sale of 125,000 units or a dollar volume of \$9 million at retail for theatrically released programs; or of at least 25,000 units and \$1 million at suggested retail for non-theatrical titles. □ IRMA platinum certification for a minimum sale of 250,000 units or a dollar volume of \$18 million at retail for theatrically released programs, and of at least 50,000 units and \$2 million at suggested retail for non-theatrical titles.

TOP POP CATALOG™		ARTIST	TITLE (IMPRINT / DISTRIBUTING LABEL) (PRICE)	CERT
THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART		
1	NEW	#1 TODD AGNEW	GRACE LIKE RAIN ARDENT 72530 (16.98)	
2	3	DANE COOK	HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED COMEDY CENTRAL 0017 (16.98 CD/DVD) Ⓡ	
3	2	THE BEACH BOYS	THE VERY BEST OF THE BEACH BOYS: SOUNDS OF SUMMER CAPITOL 82710 (18.98) Ⓡ	2
4	1	JOHNNY CASH	16 BIGGEST HITS LEGACY/COLUMBIA (NASHVILLE) 69739/SONY MUSIC (11.98/7.98)	2
5	4	TIM MCGRAW	GREATEST HITS CURB 77978 (18.98/12.98)	5
6	5	BOB SEGER & THE SILVER BULLET BAND	GREATEST HITS CAPITOL 30334 (16.98)	8
7	7	AC/DC	BACK IN BLACK LEGACY/EPIC 80207*/SDNY MUSIC (18.98) Ⓡ	
8	6	MICHAEL BUBLE	MICHAEL BUBLE 143/REPRISE 48376/WARNER BROS. (18.98)	
9	9	PINK FLOYD	DARK SIDE OF THE MOON CAPITOL 46001* (18.98/10.98)	
10	12	TOM PETTY AND THE HEARTBREAKERS	GREATEST HITS MCA 110813/UMC (18.98/12.98)	
11	8	THE BEATLES	1 APPLE 29325/CAPITOL (18.98/12.98)	
12	13	ORIGINAL BROADWAY CAST RECORDING	WICKED DECCA BROADWAY 001682/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP (18.98)	
13	10	CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVIVAL	CHRONICLE THE 20 GREATEST HITS FANTASY 2*/CONCORD (17.98/12.98)	4
14	30	GREATEST GAINER BON JOVI	CROSS ROAD MERCURY 526013/UMC (18.98/11.98)	4
15	11	LYNYRD SKYNYRD	ALL TIME GREATEST HITS MCA 112229/UMC (18.98/12.98)	
16	14	QUEEN	GREATEST HITS HOLLYWOOD 161265 (18.98/11.98)	8
17	16	JOHNNY CASH	JOHNNY CASH AT FOLSOM PRISON LEGACY/COLUMBIA (NASHVILLE) 65965/SONY MUSIC (11.98/7.98)	3
18	19	BOB MARLEY AND THE WAILERS	LEGEND: THE BEST OF BOB MARLEY AND THE WAILERS TUFF GONG/ISLAND 548904/UMC (13.98/8.98) Ⓡ	
19	17	KEITH URBAN	GOLDEN ROAD CAPITOL (NASHVILLE) 32936 (18.98/10.98)	3
20	35	THE BABY EINSTEIN MUSIC BOX ORCHESTRA	THE BABY EINSTEIN: LULLABY CLASSICS BUENA VISTA 861085/WALT DISNEY (7.98)	
21	20	STEVIE WONDER	THE DEFINITIVE COLLECTION UNIVERSAL MOTOWN/UTV 066164/UMC (18.98)	
22	15	LED ZEPPELIN	EARLY DAYS & LATTER DAYS: THE BEST OF LED ZEPPELIN VOLUMES ONE AND TWO ATLANTIC 83619AG (19.98)	
23	22	JACK JOHNSON	ON AND ON JACK JOHNSON/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC 075012*/UMRG (18.98)	
24	23	RASCAL FLATTS	MELT LYRIC STREET 165031/HOLLYWOOD (18.98/12.98)	2
25	18	JIMI HENDRIX	EXPERIENCE HENDRIX: THE BEST OF JIMI HENDRIX EXPERIENCE HENDRIX 111671*/UMC (18.98/12.98)	2
26	32	SHERYL CROW	THE VERY BEST OF SHERYL CROW A&M 001521/INTERSCOPE (16.98)	3
27	25	METALLICA	METALLICA ELEKTRA 61113*/AG (18.98/11.98)	
28	31	JACK JOHNSON	BRUSHFIRE FAIRYTALES ENJOY/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC 860934*/UMRG (18.98)	
29	28	NORAH JONES	COME AWAY WITH ME BLUE NOTE 32088* (17.98)	
30	33	DEF LEPPARD	VAULT - GREATEST HITS 1980-1995 MERCURY 528718/UMC (18.98/11.98)	4
31	29	JOURNEY	JOURNEY'S GREATEST HITS COLUMBIA 44493/SONY MUSIC (18.98/12.98)	
32	24	EAGLES	THE VERY BEST OF WARNER STRATEGIC MARKETING 73971 (25.98)	3
33	RE-ENTRY	BON JOVI	SLIPPERY WHEN WET MERCURY 538089/UMC (11.98/6.98) Ⓡ	
34	21	JIMMY BUFFETT	MEET ME IN MARGARITAVILLE JIMMY BUFFETT THE ULTIMATE COLLECTION MCA/ATMCA 067781/UMC (25.98)	2
35	40	GREEN DAY	INTERNATIONAL SUPERHITS! REPRISE 48145/WARNER BROS. (18.98)	
36	38	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS	CALIFORNICATION WARNER BROS. 47386* (10.98/17.98)	5
37	37	GRETCHEN WILSON	HERE FOR THE PARTY EPIC (NASHVILLE) 90903/SBN (18.98) Ⓡ	4
38	41	AEROSMITH	AEROSMITH'S GREATEST HITS COLUMBIA 57367/SONY MUSIC (11.98/3.98)	
39	42	ROB ZOMBIE	PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE GEFEN 001041/UMC (12.98 CD/OVD) Ⓡ	
40	44	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS	GREATEST HITS WARNER BROS. 48545 (18.98)	
41	27	FRANK SINATRA	CLASSIC SINATRA: HIS GREAT PERFORMANCES 1953-1960 CAPITOL 23502 (17.98/11.98)	
42	39	NICKELBACK	THE LONG ROAD ROADRUNNER 618400/DJMG (18.98/12.98)	3
43	50	COLDPLAY	A RUSH OF BLOOD TO THE HEAD CAPITOL 40504* (18.98/11.98)	4
44	RE-ENTRY	LED ZEPPELIN	LED ZEPPELIN IV ATLANTIC 82638/AG (10.98/16.98)	
45	RE-ENTRY	SADE	THE BEST OF SADE EPIC 85287/SONY MUSIC (18.98/12.98)	4
46	RE-ENTRY	SUBLIME	SUBLIME GASOLINE ALLEY/MCA 111413/UMC (18.98/12.98)	5
47	RE-ENTRY	PHIL COLLINS	...HITS FACE VALUE/ATLANTIC 83139/AG (10.98/17.98)	3
48	RE-ENTRY	EVANESCENCE	FALLEN WIND-UP 13063 (18.98)	6
49	49	JOSH GROBAN	CLOSER 143/REPRISE 48450/WARNER BROS. (18.98) Ⓡ	4
50	48	JIMMY BUFFETT	SONGS YOU KNOW BY HEART: JIMMY BUFFETT'S GREATEST HITS(MCA 325633*/UMC (18.98/12.98)	7

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TOP DIGITAL™		ARTIST	TITLE (IMPRINT / DISTRIBUTING LABEL)	BB 200 RANKING	CERT
THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART			
1	NEW	#1 KEANE	Under The Iron Sea INTERSCOPE	4	
2	NEW	NELLY FURTADO	Loose MOSLEY/GEFFEN /INTERSCOPE	1	
3	1	GNARLS BARKLEY	St. Elsewhere DOWNTOWN /ATLANTIC	8	
4	2	DIXIE CHICKS	Taking The Long Way COLUMBIA /SONY MUSIC	3	
5	3	SOUNDTRACK	Cars WALT DISNEY	10	
6	6	THE FRAY	How To Save A Life EPIC /SONY MUSIC	29	
7	NEW	GUSTER	Ganging Up On The Sun REPRISE /WARNER BROS.	25	
8	NEW	UNDEROATH	Define The Great Line SOLID STATE /TOOTH & NAIL	2	
9	NEW	COUNTING CROWS	New Amsterdam: Live At Heineken Music Hall February 4-6, 2003 GEFFEN /INTERSCOPE	52	
10	8	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS	Stadium Arcadium WARNER BROS. Ⓡ	13	
11	4	AFI	Decemberunderground TINY EVIL /INTERSCOPE	9	
12	7	THREE DAYS GRACE	One - X JIVE /ZOMBA	21	
13	10	PANIC! AT THE DISCO	A Fever You Can't Sweat Out DECA/DANCE /FUELED BY RAMEN	19	
14	12	THE RACONTEURS	Broken Boy Soldiers THIRD MAN /V2	68	
15	NEW	SOUNDTRACK	Superman Returns RHINO	—	

TOP INTERNET™		ARTIST	TITLE (IMPRINT / DISTRIBUTING LABEL)	BB 200 RANKING	CLIP
THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART			
1	NEW	#1 GUSTER	Ganging Up On The Sun REPRISE /WARNER BROS.	25	
2	1	DIXIE CHICKS	Taking The Long Way COLUMBIA 80739/SONY MUSIC	3	
3	NEW	UNDEROATH	Define The Great Line SOLID STATE 42658*/TOOTH & NAIL Ⓡ	2	
4	NEW	NELLY FURTADO	Loose MOSLEY/GEFFEN 006300*/INTERSCOPE	1	
5	5	MARK KNOPFLER AND EMMYLOU HARRIS	All The Roadrunning NONESUCH 44154/WARNER BROS.	66	
6	4	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	We Shall Overcome: The Seeger Sessions COLUMBIA 82867*/SONY MUSIC Ⓡ	44	
7	7	RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS	Stadium Arcadium WARNER BROS. 49996 Ⓡ	13	
8	NEW	KEANE	Under The Iron Sea INTERSCOPE 006855	4	
9	10	GNARLS BARKLEY	St. Elsewhere DOWNTOWN 70003*/ATLANTIC	8	
10	6	ANDREA BOCELLI	Amore SUGAR/DECCA 006069/UNIVERSAL CLASSICS GROUP	31	
11	15	ORIGINAL BROADWAY CAST RECORDING	Jersey Boys RHINO 73271	104	
12	8	PAUL SIMON	Surprise WARNER BROS. 49982	86	
13	NEW	MADONNA	I'm Going To Tell You A Secret (Soundtrack) WARNER BROS. 49990 Ⓡ	33	
14	2	BILLY JOEL	12 Gardens Live COLUMBIA 85176/SONY MUSIC	72	
15	NEW	CORINNE BAILEY RAE	Corinne Bailey Rae CAPITOL 66361	17	

TOP CHRISTIAN & GOSPEL ALBUMS		ARTIST	TITLE (IMPRINT / DISTRIBUTING LABEL)	BB 200 RANKING	CERT
THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	WEEKS ON CHART			
1	1	#1 UNDEROATH	DEFINE THE GREAT LINE (SOLID STATE/TOOTH & NAIL/EMICMG)		
2	1	ALAN JACKSON	PRECIOUS MEMORIES (ACR/ARISTA NASHVILLE/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY)		
3	3	FLYLEAF	FLYLEAF (OCTONE/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY)		
4	4	CASTING CROWNS	LIFESONG (BEACH STREET/REUNION/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY)		
5	2	MERCYME	COMING UP TO BREATHE (INO/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY)		
6	5	VARIOUS ARTISTS	WOW WORSHIP (AQUA) (WORD-CURB/EMICMG/SONY BMG MUSIC/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY)		
7	6	TYE TRIBETT & G.A.	VICTORY LIVE! (INTEGRITY GOSPEL/COLUMBIA/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY)		
8	8	KIRK FRANKLIN	HERO (FD YO SOUL/GOSPEL CENTRIC/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY)		
9	9	CHRIS TOMLIN	ARRIVING (SIX STEPS/SPARROW/EMICMG)		
10	15	JUANITA BYNUM	A PIECE OF MY PASSION (FLOW)		
11	11	VARIOUS ARTISTS	WOW HITS 2006 (EMICMG/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY/WORD-CURB)		
12	7	THIRD DAY	WHEREVER YOU ARE (ESSENTIAL/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY)		
13	13	VARIOUS ARTISTS	WOW GOSPEL 2006 (EMICMG/WORD-CURB/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY)		
14	14	AARON SHUST	ANYTHING WORTH SAYING (BRASH/WORD-CURB)		
15	12	MARY MARY	MARY MARY (MY BLOCK/INTEGRITY GOSPEL/COLUMBIA/PROVIDENT-INTEGRITY)		

VIDEO

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	Principal Performers	CERT.	RATING
1	NEW	#1 THE PINK PANTHER MGM HOME ENTERTAINMENT/SONY PICTURES HOME ENTERTAINMENT 11790 (28.98)	Steve Martin/Kevin Kline	PG	
2	NEW	16 BLOCKS WARNER HOME VIDEO 81040 (28.98)	Bruce Willis/Mos Def	PG-13	
3	1	UNDERWORLD: EVOLUTION SONY PICTURES HOME ENTERTAINMENT 14438 (29.98)	Kate Beckinsale/Scott Speedman	R	
4	NEW	DAVE CHAPPELLE'S BLOCK PARTY UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOME VIDEO 26548 (29.98)	Dave Chappelle	R	
5	NEW	AQUAMARINE 20TH CENTURY FOX 2234713 (29.98)	Emma Roberts/Sara Paxton	PG	
6	3	GLORY ROAD WALT DISNEY HOME ENTERTAINMENT/BUENA VISTA HOME ENTERTAINMENT 40968 (29.98)	Josh Lucas/Derek Luke	PG	
7	2	FIREWALL WARNER HOME VIDEO 59410 (28.98)	Harrison Ford/Paul Bettany	PG-13	
8	6	HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL: ENCORE EDITION BUENA VISTA HOME ENTERTAINMENT 49549 (26.98)	Zac Efron/Vanessa Anne Hudgens	PG	
9	4	DUMBO WALT DISNEY HOME ENTERTAINMENT/BUENA VISTA HOME ENTERTAINMENT 49623 (29.98)	Animated	G	
10	NEW	NEIL YOUNG: HEART OF GOLD PARAMOUNT HOME ENTERTAINMENT 34689 (29.98)	Neil Young	PG	
11	8	CHEAPER BY THE DOZEN 2 20TH CENTURY FOX 2233111 (29.98)	Steve Martin/Bonnie Hunt	PG	
12	5	RUNNING SCARED NEW LINE HOME ENTERTAINMENT/WARNER HOME VIDEO 10305 (27.98)	Paul Walker/Cameron Bright	R	
13	NEW	THE WORLD'S FASTEST INDIAN MAGNOLIA HOME ENTERTAINMENT 10026 (26.98)	Anthony Hopkins/Diane Ladd	R	
14	5	NANNY MCPHEE UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOME VIDEO 26309 (29.98)	Emma Thompson/Colin Firth	PG	
15	7	DATE MOVIE 20TH CENTURY FOX 223469 (29.98)	Alyson Hannigan/Adam Campbell	PG-13	
16	12	THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA WALT DISNEY HOME ENTERTAINMENT/BUENA VISTA HOME ENTERTAINMENT 62929 (29.98)	Georgie Henley/Skandar Keynes	PG	
17	25	KING KONG UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOME VIDEO 26260 (29.98)	Jack Black/Naomi Watts	PG-13	
18	NEW	KISS KISS, BANG BANG WARNER HOME VIDEO 58671 (27.98)	Robert Downey, Jr./Val Kilmer	R	
19	21	MUNICH UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOME VIDEO 21823 (29.98)	Eric Bana/Daniel Craig	R	
20	NEW	BEAVIS AND BUTT-HEAD: THE MIKE JUDGE COLLECTION VOLUME 2 MTV HOME VIDEO/PARAMOUNT HOME ENTERTAINMENT 889014 (49.98)	Beavis & Butt-Head	TV-14	
21	NEW	WALK THE LINE 20TH CENTURY FOX 32422 (29.98)	Joaquin Phoenix/Reese Witherspoon	PG-13	
22	NEW	END OF THE SPEAR 20TH CENTURY FOX 2234570 (29.98)	Louie Leonardo/Chase Ellison	R	
23	NEW	PRINCESS BRIDE MGM HOME ENTERTAINMENT 02362 (14.98)	Cary Elwes/Robin Wright	PG	
24	NEW	24: SEASON ONE 20TH CENTURY FOX 2005416 (59.98)	Kiefer Sutherland/Dennis Haysbert	TV-14	
25	9	THE RINGER 20TH CENTURY FOX 33523 (29.98)	Johnny Knoxville/Brian Cox	PG-13	

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	Label/Distributing Label & Number (Price)	CERT.	RATING
1	1	HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL: ENCORE EDITION BUENA VISTA 49549 (26.98)	BUENA VISTA 49549 (26.98)	PG	
2	NEW	BEAVIS AND BUTT-HEAD: THE MIKE JUDGE COLLECTION VOLUME 2 MTV/PARAMOUNT 889014 (49.98)	MTV/PARAMOUNT 889014 (49.98)	TV-14	
3	7	24: SEASON ONE 20TH CENTURY FOX 2005416 (59.98)	20TH CENTURY FOX 2005416 (59.98)	TV-14	
4	12	BAND OF BROTHERS HBO 99205 (79.98)	HBO 99205 (79.98)	TV-14	
5	2	ENTOURAGE: THE COMPLETE SECOND SEASON HBO 92660 (39.98)	HBO 92660 (39.98)	TV-14	
6	3	CHARMED: THE COMPLETE FIFTH SEASON PARAMOUNT 70594 (49.98)	PARAMOUNT 70594 (49.98)	TV-14	
7	NEW	MAGGYVER: THE COMPLETE SIXTH SEASON CBS PARAMOUNT TELEVISION/PARAMOUNT 070884 (49.98)	CBS PARAMOUNT TELEVISION/PARAMOUNT 070884 (49.98)	TV-14	
8	8	GREY'S ANATOMY: SEASON ONE TOUCHSTONE/BUENA VISTA 4173503 (29.98)	TOUCHSTONE/BUENA VISTA 4173503 (29.98)	TV-14	
9	NEW	GOORU THE EXPLORER: ANIMAL ADVENTURES NICK JR./PARAMOUNT 889884 (16.98)	NICK JR./PARAMOUNT 889884 (16.98)	G	
10	NEW	THE ROCKFORD FILES: SEASON TWO UNIVERSAL STUDIOS 26472 (39.98)	UNIVERSAL STUDIOS 26472 (39.98)	TV-14	
11	NEW	THIS IS AMERICA, CHARLIE BROWN PARAMOUNT 040984 (19.98)	PARAMOUNT 040984 (19.98)	G	
12	10	BOSTON LEGAL: SEASON ONE 20TH CENTURY FOX 2234113 (49.98)	20TH CENTURY FOX 2234113 (49.98)	TV-14	
13	19	DEADWOOD: THE COMPLETE SECOND SEASON HBO 92779 (99.98)	HBO 92779 (99.98)	TV-MA	
14	4	NCIS: THE COMPLETE FIRST SEASON CBS PARAMOUNT TELEVISION/PARAMOUNT 045364 (59.98)	CBS PARAMOUNT TELEVISION/PARAMOUNT 045364 (59.98)	TV-14	
15	NEW	WILD WILD WEST - THE COMPLETE PARAMOUNT 888164 (49.98)	PARAMOUNT 888164 (49.98)	TV-14	
16	NEW	HOUSE M.D.: SEASON ONE UNIVERSAL STUDIOS 28491 (59.98)	UNIVERSAL STUDIOS 28491 (59.98)	TV-14	
17	NEW	FRASIER: THE COMPLETE EIGHTH SEASON CBS PARAMOUNT TELEVISION/PARAMOUNT 041994 (49.98)	CBS PARAMOUNT TELEVISION/PARAMOUNT 041994 (49.98)	TV-14	
18	9	WWE: WRESTLEMANIA 22 WWE/SONY BMG VIDEO 94540 (34.98)	WWE/SONY BMG VIDEO 94540 (34.98)	TV-14	
19	5	ENTOURAGE: THE COMPLETE FIRST & SECOND SEASONS HBO 98295 (79.98)	HBO 98295 (79.98)	TV-14	
20	RE-ENTRY	THE OFFICE: SEASON ONE NBC/UNIVERSAL STUDIOS 28506 (29.98)	NBC/UNIVERSAL STUDIOS 28506 (29.98)	TV-14	
21	NEW	MEDIUM: THE COMPLETE FIRST SEASON CBS PARAMOUNT TELEVISION/PARAMOUNT 070894 (54.98)	CBS PARAMOUNT TELEVISION/PARAMOUNT 070894 (54.98)	TV-14	
22	15	M*A*S*H: SEASON TEN COLLECTOR'S EDITION 20TH CENTURY FOX 2234140 (39.98)	20TH CENTURY FOX 2234140 (39.98)	TV-14	
23	14	THE VENTURE BROS.: SEASON 1 NEW LINE/WARNER 7526 (29.98)	NEW LINE/WARNER 7526 (29.98)	TV-14	
24	RE-ENTRY	LITTLE EINSTEINS: TEAM UP FOR ADVENTURE WALT DISNEY/BUENA VISTA 49962 (19.98)	WALT DISNEY/BUENA VISTA 49962 (19.98)	G	
25	20	24: SEASON TWO 20TH CENTURY FOX 2007929 (69.98)	20TH CENTURY FOX 2007929 (69.98)	TV-14	

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	Label/Distributing Label	CERT.	RATING
1	NEW	#1 16 BLOCKS WARNER HOME VIDEO	WARNER HOME VIDEO	PG-13	
2	NEW	THE PINK PANTHER MGM HOME ENTERTAINMENT/SONY PICTURES HOME ENTERTAINMENT	MGM HOME ENTERTAINMENT/SONY PICTURES HOME ENTERTAINMENT	PG	
3	2	FIREWALL WARNER HOME VIDEO	WARNER HOME VIDEO	PG-13	
4	1	UNDERWORLD: EVOLUTION SONY PICTURES HOME ENTERTAINMENT	SONY PICTURES HOME ENTERTAINMENT	R	
5	3	GLORY ROAD WALT DISNEY HOME ENTERTAINMENT/BUENA VISTA HOME ENTERTAINMENT	WALT DISNEY HOME ENTERTAINMENT/BUENA VISTA HOME ENTERTAINMENT	PG	
6	NEW	AQUAMARINE 20TH CENTURY FOX	20TH CENTURY FOX	PG	
7	5	RUNNING SCARED NEW LINE HOME ENTERTAINMENT/WARNER HOME VIDEO	NEW LINE HOME ENTERTAINMENT/WARNER HOME VIDEO	R	
8	4	DATE MOVIE 20TH CENTURY FOX	20TH CENTURY FOX	PG-13	
9	6	CHEAPER BY THE DOZEN 2 20TH CENTURY FOX	20TH CENTURY FOX	PG	
10	6	RUMOR HAS IT... WARNER HOME VIDEO	WARNER HOME VIDEO	PG-13	

THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TITLE	MANUFACTURER	CERT.	RATING
1	1	#1 PS2: GRAND THEFT AUTO: LIBERTY CITY STORIES ROCKSTAR GAMES	ROCKSTAR GAMES	M	
2	2	PS2: CARS THQ	THQ	M	
3	3	PS2: HITMAN: BLOOD MONEY EIDOS	EIDOS	M	
4	31	PS2: NEED FOR SPEED: MOST WANTED EA SPORTS	EA SPORTS	M	
5	2	XBOX: HITMAN: BLOOD MONEY EIDOS	EIDOS	M	
6	11	PS2: KINGDOM HEARTS II EA SPORTS	EA SPORTS	M	
7	5	PS2: X-MEN: THE OFFICIAL GAME ACTIVISION	ACTIVISION	M	
8	9	PS2: THE GODFATHER EA SPORTS	EA SPORTS	M	
9	13	PS2: BLACK EA SPORTS	EA SPORTS	M	
10	10	PS2: JAWS: UNLEASHED MAJESCO GAMES	MAJESCO GAMES	M	

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THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	ARTIST	Title	CERT.
1	NEW	#1 DRAGONFORCE SANCTUARY/ROADRUNNER 618034/DJMG (17.98)	Inhuman Rampage	
2	NEW	ALACRANES MUSICAL UNIVISION 310839/UG (13.98) ⊕	A Paso Firme	
3	3	CARTEL THE MILITIA GROUP/EPIC 83850/SONY MUSIC (15.98)	Chroma	
4	1	REGINA SPEKTOR SIRE 44112/WARNER BROS. (15.98)	Begin To Hope	
5	4	KEB' MO' ONE HAVEN/EPIC 77621/RED INK (15.98)	Suitcase	
6	9	DJ LIL' CEE/TREVOR SIMPSON ULTRA 1411 (19.98)	Ultra Weekend 2	
7	3	DANIELLE PECK BIG MACHINE 010160 (11.98)	Danielle Peck	
8	7	KATIE MELUA DRAMATIC/UNIVERSAL MOTOWN 006868/UMRG (13.98)	Piece By Piece	
9	8	JOAN SEBASTIAN MUSART 3771/BALBOA (13.98)	Mas Alla Del Sol	
10	10	VIC LATINO THRIVEDANCE 90748/THRIVE (21.98)	ThriveMix 02	
11	3	JULIETA VENEGAS SONY BMG NORTE 83420 (14.98)	Limon Y Sal	
12	2	BETWEEN THE BURIED AND ME VICTORY 297 (13.98)	The Anatomy Of	
13	13	DAN ZANES AND FRIENDS FESTIVAL FIVE 009 (16.98)	Catch That Train!	
14	6	DONAVON FRANKENREITER LOST HIGHWAY 006402* (13.98)	Move By Yourself	
15	23	HURT CAPITOL 41137 (12.98)	Vol. 1	
16	14	THE FUTUREHEADS STARTIME 436/VAGRANT (13.98)	News And Tributes	
17	16	AARON SHUST BRASH 0017 (13.98)	Anything Worth Saying	
18	18	EVANS BLUE THE POCOCK 162585/HOLLYWOOD (11.98)	The Melody And The Energetic Nature Of Volume	
19	15	IMOGEN HEAP RCA VICTOR 72532 (11.98)	Speak For Yourself	
20	36	GREATEST GAINER THE HUSH SOUND DECAYDANCE 085/FUELED BY RAMEN (13.98)	Like Vines	
21	20	DUELO UNIVISION 310724/UG (12.98) ⊕	Relaciones Conflictivas	
22	19	RAKIM & KEN-Y PINA 270183/UNIVERSAL LATIND (15.98)	Masterpiece: Nuestra Obra Maestra	
23	31	HALIFAX DRIVE-THRU 83637 (11.98)	The Inevitability Of A Strange World	
24	29	BISHOP G.E. PATTERSON & CONGREGATION PODIUM 2505 (14.98)	Singing The Old Time Way Volume 2	
25	28	MONCHY & ALEXANDRA J&N 50078/SONY BMG NORTE (16.98) ⊕	Exitos Y Mas	
26	34	CALLE 13 WHITE LION 96875/SONY BMG NORTE (15.98)	Calle 13	
27	NEW	FRANK BLACK BACK PORCH 55875 (19.98)	Fast Man Raider Man	
28	17	SONYA KITCHELL HEAR 0501/VELOUR (13.98)	Words Came Back To Me	
29	25	URBAN MYSTIC SOBE 49998/WARNER BROS. (13.98)	Ghetto Revelations: II	
30	24	MARK HARRIS INO/EPIC 93827/SONY MUSIC (18.98)	The Line Between The Two	
31	12	ZAO FERRET 068 (13.98) ⊕	The Fear Is What Keeps Us Here.	
32	48	AVENTURA PREMIUM LATIN 94082/SONY BMG NORTE (13.98)	God's Project	
33	21	LEWIS BLACK COMEDY CENTRAL 0041 (13.98)	The Carnegie Hall Performance	
34	NEW	DAMONE ISLAND 006483/DJMG (9.98)	Out Here All Night	
35	NEW	HOLLY BROOK MACHINE SHOP 49298/WARNER BROS. (13.98)	Like Blood Like Honey	
36	33	SAVING JANE TOUCAN COVE/UNIVERSAL REPUBLIC 006469/UMRG (13.98)	Girl Next Door	
37	41	DA MUZICIANZ COLLIPARK 2800*/TVT (17.98)	Da Muzicianz	
38	NEW	THE ACADEMY IS... FUELED BY RAMEN 071 (11.98)	Almost Here	
39	32	RAMON AYALA Y SUS BRAVOS DEL NORTE FREDDIE 1940 (16.98)	Antologia De Un Rey Vol. 2	
40	37	ALEXI MURDOCH ZERO SUMMER 85400/RAZOR & TIE (16.98)	Time Without Consequence	
41	25	PEEPING TOM IPECAC 77 (16.98)	Peeping Tom	
42	47	ANA GABRIEL SONY BMG NORTE 95902 (15.98)	Historia De Una Reina	
43	44	GOMEZ ATO 21547 (13.98)	How We Operate	
44	38	LES CLAYPOOL PRAWN SONG 0011 (15.98)	Of Whales And Woe	
45	49	GLORIA TREVI UNIVISION 310879/UG (16.98) CD/DVD ⊕	La Trayectoria	
46	NEW	RED ESSENTIAL 10807 (12.98)	End Of Silence	
47	45	LA OREJA DE VAN GOGH SONY BMG NORTE 79923 (18.98) ⊕	Guapa	
48	NEW	THE CLARKS KING MOUSE 016/HIGH WIRE (15.98)	Still Live	
49	NEW	NORMAN HUTCHINS JDI 1270 (17.98)	Where I Long To Be	
50	46	THE BOUNCING SOULS EPITAPH 86808 (13.98)	Gold Record	

BREAKING & ENTERING

THIS WEEK ON

Appearances on "Good Morning America," "Live With Regis and Kelly" and VH1 play help British vocalist Corinne Bailey Rae enter The Billboard 200 at No. 17. Strong sales at the Starbucks chain aided her triumphant U.S. start. Discover developing artists making their inaugural Billboard chart runs each week in Breaking & Entering on billboard.com.



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SINGLES & TRACKS



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4 MINUTES (Grindtime, BMJ/First Avenue, PRS/BMG Songs, ASCAP/Dems Hot Songs, ASCAP/Antonio Dixon's Muzik, ASCAP/Kenney Music, ASCAP/Christopher Matthew, BMJ/Hito Music, BMJ/EMI April, ASCAP/Inno, BMJ/D Buzz II, BMJ/Underdog East Songs, BMJ/Universal, ASCAP/Antonio Dixon Muzik, ASCAP/Strange Motel Music, ASCAP/Underdogs Songs, ASCAP/Almo Music, ASCAP) HL RBH 42

8TH OF NOVEMBER (Big Love, BMJ/WB, ASCAP/Rich Texan, ASCAP), WBM, CS 28

A

ABRAZAME (Sony/ATV Latin, BMJ) LT 33

ADIOS A MI AMANTE (BMG Songs, ASCAP) LT 25

THE ADVENTURE (Fun With Goats, ASCAP/Universal, ASCAP) HL H100 75; POP 64

AINT GON LET UP (Da Great, ASCAP) RBH 70

AINT MY DAY TO CARE (Midax Magic, ASCAP/Fly Vision Music, SESAC/Angelina/Almo Music, SESAC/474 Music, SESAC/Pacific Wind, SESAC) CS 56

AINT NO OTHER MAN (Klira Music, BMJ/Careers-BMG, BMJ/Gifted Pearl Music, ASCAP/Works Of Mart, ASCAP/K-Stuff, BMJ/ArtHouse, BMJ/Titica Sounds Music, ASCAP/Tea Music, BMJ/The Clyde Bits Music Group, ASCAP) WBM, H100 9; POP 6

AINT WHAT IT USED TO BE (Wobac Music, BMJ/Sony/ATV Tree, BMJ/Gitarrist, BMJ/Ser-Ca, BMJ) HL, H100 36

ALGUIEN TE VA A HACER LLORAR (Ben-Ju, BMJ) LT 17

ALIADO DEL TIEMPO (Three Sound, BMJ) LT 6

AND SHE SAID (Looklike Songs, ASCAP/Makrys Publishing, SESAC) POP 81

ANGELITO (Crown P, BMJ/Sebastian, BMJ) H100 98, RBH 97

ANIMAL I HAVE BECOME (EMI April, ASCAP/3 Days Grace, ASCAP/Noodles For Everyone, SOCAN/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Blast The Scene, BMJ) HL, H100 60; POP 60

B

BACK AND FORTH (Magic Eye Muzik, BMJ) RBH 58

BACK LIKE THAT (Rich Kid, BMJ) Tracks

BACKSTREET BOYS (Super Sayin Publishing, BMJ/Zomba Songs, BMJ/Sound Diamond Music, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Li Lu Publishing, BMJ) HL/WBM, RBH 49

BAD DAY (Song Music, BMJ) H100 16; POP 19

BEEP (Will.i.am, BMJ/K-Stuff, BMJ/ArtHouse, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Cherry River, BMJ) HL/WBM, POP 65

BEFORE HE CHEATS (That Little House, ASCAP/Mighty Underdog, ASCAP/Sony/ATV Cross Keys, ASCAP) HL CS 53

BEST OF BOTH WORLDS (Seven Peaks Music, ASCAP/Sixteenth Street Songs, ASCAP/Renei Music, ASCAP) POP 86

BE WITHOUT YOU (Mary J. Blige, ASCAP/Universal, ASCAP/WBM, SESAC/Babyboys Little, SESAC/Nootime South, SESAC/Jazz And Jaders Publishing, SESAC/Naked Under My Clothes, ASCAP/Chrysalis Music, ASCAP/Jasons Lyrics, SESAC/Reach Global Tunes, SESAC) HL/WBM, H100 49; POP 40, RBH 22

BLACK HORSE & THE CHERRY TREE (Sony/ATV Timber, SESAC) HL H100 30; POP 30

BLOW THE WHISTLE (Zomba Songs, BMJ/IT, Shaw, BMJ/Songs Of TVT, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Inn Grade Music Publishing, BMJ/Swiztle Music, BMJ/C-Amore Music, BMJ/Me & Marc Music, ASCAP/Cookies And Milk, ASCAP/Basajamba, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP) HL/WBM, RBH 75

BOJANGLES (Songs Of TVT, BMJ/Marimber Music, ASCAP) WBM, RBH 96

BOSSY (Issy & Nemo Tunes, ASCAP/Levagas Music Publishing, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Zomba Songs, BMJ/IT, Shaw, BMJ/Team S Dot Publishing, BMJ/Hito Music, BMJ/Songs Of Windswept Pacific, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Lost Feet Music, BMJ) HL/WBM, H100 26; POP 32; RBH 14

BRAND NEW GIRLFRIEND (EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Shane Minor, BMJ/3 Ring Circus, BMJ/Songs Of Windswept Pacific, BMJ/Jeffrey Steele, BMJ) HL, H100 19

BREATHE (2 AM) (AnniBonnaiMusic, ASCAP) H100 51; POP 35

BRING IT ON HOME (Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ/Sell The Cow, BMJ/WB, ASCAP/Black, ASCAP/Bloom, ASCAP) WBM, CS 12; H100 78

BUILDING BRIDGES (Drunk Monkey, BMJ/Bug, BMJ/WB, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Criterion, ASCAP) WBM, CS 24

BUMPIN' MY MUSIC (Ray Cash Music, ASCAP/CypherJazz Music, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Brad Jordan, ASCAP/BB The Skee The Champ, ASCAP/Ruffless Attack Muzik, ASCAP/Reach Global Songs, BMJ/Songs Of Universal, BMJ/Art/Inn Grade Music, BMJ/Hito Music, BMJ/Songs Of TVT, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/2590 Music Publishing, ASCAP/Universal, ASCAP/Zone 4, ASCAP/She Rights Music, BMJ/My Own Child Music, BMJ/Jasons Lyrics, SESAC/Reach Global Tunes, SESAC) HL, H100 19; POP 14

C

CAILE (Sony/ATV Discos, ASCAP) LT 4

CALIFORNIA GIRLS (Sony/ATV Cross Keys, ASCAP/Hoosterdrama, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP/Rich Texan, ASCAP) HL/WBM, CS 40

CALL ME CRAZY (Copyright Control), WBM, CS 55

CALL ON ME (Shanah Cymone Music, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Naked Under My Clothes, ASCAP/Chrysalis Music, ASCAP/Basajamba, ASCAP/Flyte Tyne Lyrics, ASCAP/Avant Garde, ASCAP/Universal, ASCAP) HL, H100 73; POP 74; RBH 23

CAN I TAKE YOU HOME (Virginia Beach, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Black Foundation Publishing, ASCAP/Herbicious Music, ASCAP) HL, WBM, RBH 65

CANT LET GO (Songs Of Universal, BMJ/Taggy Whytes, BMJ/Bat Future, BMJ) HL, H100 97; RBH 19

CHA CHA (Where's My Cut, ASCAP/Pacific Latin, BMJ/Musichelo, BMJ/Maximo Aguirre, BMJ/Luxer, BMJ) LT 34

CHASING CARS (Big Lite, BMJ) H100 82; POP 57

CHEVY RIDIN' HIGH (Zomba Songs, BMJ/Dade Co. Project Music, BMJ/3 Blunts Lite At Once, ASCAP/First N Gold, BMJ/Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ) WBM, RBH 96

THE CHOSEN ONE (Divine Mill Music, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP/B Funk Music, ASCAP/Line 4 Line, ASCAP/Want My Daddys Records, ASCAP/Jahange Joins, SESAC/Dem Drawz Muzik, BMJ/Jobete Music, SESAC/Universal, PolyGram International Tunes, ASCAP/Manson Music, SESAC) RBH 68

COALMINE (Zomba Melodies, SESAC/Agatha Monroe, SESAC/Harbinism.com, SESAC/CG, BMJ/Sony/ATV Tree, BMJ) HL/WBM, CS 38

COMING UNDONE (Zomba Songs, BMJ/Fieldsynutz, BMJ/Musik Munk, BMJ/Stratosphericyness, BMJ/Careers-BMG, BMJ/Lauren Christy Songs, BMJ/Scott Spock Songs, BMJ/Graham Edwards Songs, ASCAP) WBM, H100 79; POP 73

COMO DUELE (BARRERA DE AMOR) (San Angel, ASCAP/BMG Songs, ASCAP) LT 10

CONTROL MYSELF (L. Cool J, ASCAP/Sony/ATV Tunes, ASCAP/Shanah Cymone Music, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Basajamba, ASCAP/Pladis Music, ASCAP/Nyovican, BMJ/Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ/Shakin' Baker, BMJ/Art Control, ASCAP) HL/WBM, POP 91

CRAZY (Chrysalis Music, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP/God Gung, BMJ/BMG Ricordi Music Publishing, ASCAP/Thugation Music, SPA/BMG Zomba Productions, SPA, WBM, H100 5; POP 8; RBH 56

CRAZY BITCH (Famous, ASCAP) HL, H100 61; POP 55

CROWDED (EMI April, ASCAP/Sony/ATV Tunes, ASCAP/Copyright Control/Bushwicks Finest, ASCAP/Thugation Music, ASCAP) HL, H100 99; POP 45

CUANDO BLA REAGAETON (El Abayardo, ASCAP/Blue Kraft Music, BMJ/Victor Cibreras, BMJ) LT 49

CUANTO TENGO QUE ESPERAR (Luar, ASCAP/Copyright Control) LT 46

D

DANI CALIFORNIA (Moebefobame, BMJ) H100 15; POP 22

DEJALE CAER TO EL PESO (Universal-Musica Unica, BMJ/Universal Musica, ASCAP) LT 35

DEJA YU (EM Blackwood, BMJ/Hito Sound, ASCAP/Beyonce, ASCAP/Music Of Windswept, ASCAP/Rimdyo Ben International, ASCAP/Ruffless Attack Muzik, ASCAP) WBM, RBH 99

DIGANLE (San Antonio, BMJ) LT 15

DJ PLAY A LOVE SONG (Universal, ASCAP/Team S Dot Publishing, BMJ/Hito Music, BMJ/Songs Of Windswept Pacific, BMJ/Jasons Lyrics, SESAC/Reach Global Tunes, SESAC) HL, H100 65; RBH 10

DO I MAKE YOU PROUD (19, ASCAP/BMG Songs, ASCAP/Chrysalis Music, ASCAP) HL, H100 3; POP 3

DOING TOO MUCH (Amaya-Sophia, ASCAP/Latino Velvet, BMJ/Songs Of Universal, BMJ/Bungalo Made Music, ASCAP/Morenia Publishing, ASCAP) HL, H100 41; POP 29

DO IT TO IT (Publishing Desiginee, BMJ/Rags II, Richard Music, BMJ/Unice Wilness Music, ASCAP/How Ya Liv, Dat Music, ASCAP) H100 22; POP 31; RBH 13

DONT FORGET TO REMEMBER ME (W22 Songs, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Dont Have To Be Music, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/1609 Songs, ASCAP/Music Of Windswept, ASCAP) HL, CS 4; H100 54

DO WE STILL (Carolina Blue Sky Music, BMJ/Johns Music, BMJ/Sayin Boy, BMJ) CS 51

DOWN (Mafer, ASCAP) LT 3

DOWN IN MISSISSIPPI (UP TO NO GOOD) (Dirkpit, BMJ/Gretergoodsons, ASCAP/Jennifer Nettles, ASCAP) CS 20

DUTTY WINE (Copyright Control/Pop Style Music Publishing, ASCAP) RBH 92

E

ENOUGH CRYIN' (Universal, ASCAP/Mary J. Blige, ASCAP/Rodney Jenkins Productions, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Team S Dot Publishing, BMJ/Hito Music, BMJ/Songs Of Windswept Pacific, BMJ/EMI April, ASCAP/Carter Buys Publishing, ASCAP) HL, H100 45; RBH 5

ENTOURAGE (Mr. Gardberry's Music, SESAC/E Hudson Music, EMJ/Dire 78 Publishing, SESAC/Lyric Publishing, SESAC/Foray Music, SESAC) RBH 59

ESTE CORAZON (EMI April, ASCAP) LT 19

ESTOY CON EL Y PIENSO EN TI (WB, ASCAP) LT 29

EVER THE SAME (J Rule Music, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP) HL, H100 92

EVERY TIME I HEAR YOUR NAME (EMI April, ASCAP/Romeo Cowboy Music, ASCAP/Tom Hambridge Tunes, ASCAP/Songs Of Windswept Pacific, BMJ/Gottahaveaible, BMJ) HL, CS 8; H100 67

EVERYTIME WE TOUCH (Mambo Musikiergraus Produktionen, M.B.H./Ridge Music, BMJ/Sounds Of Jupiter Music, BMJ) H100 46

F

FAVORITE STATE OF MIND (Universal, ASCAP/Craggy Buss, ASCAP/Music Of Combustion, BMJ/Songs Of Windswept Pacific, BMJ) HL, CS 27

FEELS JUST LIKE IT SHOULD (EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Greenhorse Music, BMJ/Comman, BMJ/Inn Grade Music, SESAC) HL, CS 25

FEELS SO GOOD (Bernynesse Music, ASCAP/Reach Global, ASCAP/Songs Of Da Red Drum, ASCAP/Steady On The Grind, ASCAP/Super Sayin Publishing, BMJ/Zomba Songs, BMJ) WBM, RBH 27

FINDIN' A GOOD MAN (Hits And Smashes Music, ASCAP/2820 Music, ASCAP/Zomba Enterprises, ASCAP/Good Country Mornin', ASCAP/West Moraine, ASCAP/Wek, ASCAP) LT 30

FIND MYSELF IN YOU (Cancelled Lunch, ASCAP/Universal-PolyGram International, ASCAP) HL, RBH 33

FLY LIKE A BIRD (Five Songs, BMJ/Songs Of Universal, BMJ/EMI April, ASCAP/Minneapolis Guys Music, ASCAP/Ji Brand Music Works, ASCAP) HL, RBH 92

FOR YOU I WILL (CONFIDENCE) (Teddy Geiger Publishing, BMJ/Sony/ATV Timber, SESAC/Turte Victory, SESAC) HL, POP 46

FREEZE (EMI April, ASCAP/LL Cool J, ASCAP/Lyfe In, ASCAP) HL, RBH 74

FRIKITONA (UBO, ASCAP) LT 45

G

GALLERY (Super Sayin Publishing, BMJ/Zomba Songs, BMJ/Sony/ATV Songs, BMJ/EMI April, ASCAP) HL/WBM, POP 65

GET OUTTA MY WAY (Songs Of Peer, ASCAP/Fixation Music, ASCAP) CS 45

GETTIN' SOME (Zomba Songs, BMJ/Zomba Enterprises, ASCAP) WBM, H100 62; POP 85; RBH 30

GHEETO STORY (EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Madhouse, ASCAP) RBH 92

GIMME THAT (Scott Storch, ASCAP/TVT, ASCAP/Team S Dot Publishing, BMJ/Hito Music, BMJ/Songs Of Windswept Pacific, BMJ) H100 21; POP 16; RBH 11

GIRL (Paul Wall, ASCAP/2 Kingpins Publishing, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP/Unichappell Music, BMJ) WBM, POP 90

GIRL NEXT DOOR (Tosha Music, ASCAP/Shapiro Bernstein & Co., ASCAP/Painted Desert, BMJ/Totally Awesome Music, BMJ) H100 89; POP 4

GIVE IT AWAY (Run Slow Music, ASCAP/CG, ASCAP/Sony/ATV Tree, BMJ/WB, Bubba, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ) HL, CS 34

GO AHEAD (Street Certified Publishing, BMJ/Trap House Publishing, BMJ) RBH 69

GOD ONLY CRIES (Dimensional Songs Of Rye, SESAC/Back Music, SESAC/Cherry Blossom, SESAC/The Singer They Are, SESAC) CS 31

GOD'S GIFT (Aveah, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP), WBM, RBH 57

GOOD LUCK CHARM (EMI April, ASCAP/Air Control, ASCAP/Them Damn Twins, ASCAP/353 Music Publishing, SESAC/Universal-PolyGram International Tunes, SESAC/Rags II Richard Music, BMJ/Unice Wilness Music, ASCAP) HL, RBH 29

A GOOD MAN (Midax Magic, ASCAP/Animal Planet, ASCAP/AvaRo Music, SESAC/Mullisongs BMG, SESAC) CS 42

GRILL EM (Writers Block, ASCAP/Giza Publishing, SESAC) RBH 88

H

HANGING ON (Sony/ATV Tunes, ASCAP/Chey Music, ASCAP/Under Zenith Music, SOCAN/Never-would-have-thought Music, SOCAN/Sony/ATV Canada, SOCAN) HL, H100 86; POP 59

HATE ME (Paris On Paper Publishing, ASCAP) H100 52; POP 41

HEAT IT UP (Soar Loser Music, BMJ/ColliPark Music, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Soloman Anderson Publishing Desiginee, ASCAP) HL, RBH 89

HERE WE GO YU (Gold Star, BMJ/Carter Boys Publishing, ASCAP/Mas Flow, BMJ/Animal Planet, ASCAP/Rompediscotea, BMJ) LT 22

HIGH (EMI Blackwood, BMJ/WB, ASCAP) HL/WBM, POP 98

HIPS DONT LIE (Sony/ATV Tunes, ASCAP/Huss Zwinck, ASCAP/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Le-Ross Music, BMJ/The Caramel House, BMJ/Ensign Music, BMJ/Lanfanco Music, ASCAP/Samala Songs, ASCAP/Nelia Music, ASCAP/NJR Music Publishing, ASCAP) HL, H100 2; LT 1; POP 2

HMM HMM (Springvale Music Publishing, ASCAP/150 Layette Music, ASCAP/Songs Of Universal, PolyGram International, BMJ/Tony Kelly, ASCAP/Murice Gregory, BMJ) HL, RBH 31

HOLLA AT ME (Marimber Music, ASCAP/BMG Songs, ASCAP/Carter Cartagena, ASCAP/Jelly's Jams, ASCAP/First N Gold, BMJ/3 Blunts Lite At Once, ASCAP/Money Mack, BMJ/Paul Wall, ASCAP/2 Kingpins Publishing, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP/Dade Co. Project Music, BMJ/Zomba Songs, BMJ/Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ/Shakin' Baker, BMJ/Bambatta, BMJ) WBM, H100 83; POP 82; RBH 40

HOW ABOUT YOU (Sony/ATV Tree, BMJ/Copyright Control) HL, CS 17

HOW TO SAVE A LIFE (Aaron Edwards Publishing, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP) HL, H100 77; POP 58

HUSTLIN' (3 Blunts Lite At Once, ASCAP/First N Gold, BMJ/Le-Ross Music, ASCAP/No Question Entertainment, ASCAP/Desert Storm, ASCAP/Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ/Young Jeazy Music, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Carter Boys Publishing, ASCAP) HL, H100 88; RBH 16

I

I CALL IT LOVE (Sony/ATV Tunes, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Wathe Music Publishing, ASCAP) HL, RBH 52

I CANT UNLOVE YOU (WB, ASCAP/Scott And Soda, ASCAP/Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ/Writers Extreme, BMJ/Warning Danger, BMJ) WBM, CS 18; H100 93

I DARE YOU (Driven By Music, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Thumguss Music, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Big Ant Music, ASCAP/Universal, ASCAP) HL, POP 85

I DONT KNOW WHAT SHE SAID (Create Real, ASCAP) Want To Hold Your Songs, BMJ/Major Bob, ASCAP) WBM, CS 35

IF YOU'RE GOING THROUGH HELL (BEFORE THE DEVIL EVEN KINGS) (Gravitor, SESAC/Whad-jayadev, SESAC/Carnival Music, SESAC/Cal IV, ASCAP) WBM, CS 27

I KNOW YOU SEE IT (Granny Man Publishing, BMJ/Malik-Mekhi Music, BMJ/Basement Funk, ASCAP/Basement Funk South, ASCAP/Diamondcut Flawless Recordings Publishing, ASCAP/Hot Sauce Music, ASCAP/Three Nails And 2 Crows, BMJ/Azaria Music, BMJ) RBH 46

I LOVE HER FIRST (Sony/ATV Cross Keys, ASCAP/Songs Of Extreme, ASCAP/Cedar Sideas, ASCAP) HL, CS 57

I LOVE MY B*** (Universal, BMJ/Ensign Music, BMJ/Will.i.am, BMJ/Broke Spoke And Gone Publishing, ASCAP) HL, H100 48; POP 61; RBH 25

I LOVE YOU (Next Selection, ASCAP/Motola, ASCAP/Asgen Songs, ASCAP/Latit Music Publishing, ASCAP/Sally With Ester, ASCAP) WBM, RBH 44

I'M GONNA BE (WB, ASCAP/Checkmat, BMJ/Tyme 4 Flies, BMJ) WBM, RBH 47

I'M N LUV (WIT A STRIPPER) (Nappy Publishing, BMJ/Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ/2 Playas Publishing, BMJ/Wino Is Mike Jones Music, BMJ) WBM, POP 93

IMPOSSIBLE (Please Ermy's Publishing, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Almo Music, ASCAP/Slayin High Music, ASCAP/BMG Songs, ASCAP/BMG Music Publishing, MCPSS) HL, RBH 62

INGRATTUDO (TN Ediciones, BMJ) LT 26

IN MY MIND (Combustion, BMJ/Songs Of Windswept Pacific, BMJ/Wang Out, BMJ/Sony/ATV Songs, BMJ) HL, RBH 41

INSENSIBLE A TI (ME PONE A MIL) (Universal Music Mexico, S.A./Universal-Musica Unica, BMJ) LT 23

IN TERMS OF LOVE (Emerto, ASCAP/Getring Music, ASCAP/Carol Vincent And Associates, SESAC) CS 41

IS FEUSE (Barke, ASCAP/Scott Storch, ASCAP/TVT, ASCAP) WBM, RBH 92

IT IS ANY WONDER? (BMG, PPS) H100 81; POP 63

IT'S GOIN' DOWN (Granny Man Publishing, BMJ/Malik-Mekhi Music, BMJ/Reginas Son Music, ASCAP/Dianahmar Music, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP) HL, H100 4; POP 17; RBH 1

I WRITE SINS NOT TRAGEDIES (Sweet Chin Music, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP) HL, H100 17; POP 12

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JIGGLE IT (Copyright Control) RBH 91

JUST CAME HERE TO CHILL (No Quynceyence Music Publishing, BMJ/October 12th, ASCAP/Hito Sound, ASCAP) WBM, RBH 37

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KICK PUSH (1st & 15th Publishing, ASCAP/BMG Songs, ASCAP) WBM, H100 96; POP 84; RBH 67

KILL ME NOW (WB, ASCAP/Rich Texan, ASCAP/Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ) WBM, CS 47

L

LA BOTELLA (BMG Songs, ASCAP) LT 28

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LET U GO (Wenocopter Music, ASCAP/Marotone AB, STM/Kasz Money Publishing, ASCAP) H100 69; POP 82

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A LITTLE TOO LATE (Toketo Tunes, BMJ/Florida Room, BMJ/Sony/ATV Acuff Rose, BMJ/Unwound, BMJ) HL, CS 6; H100 59

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LOVE YOU (EMI Blackwood, BMJ/New Songs Of Sea Galle Music, ASCAP/Sony/ATV Tree, BMJ/Forrest Hays Music, BMJ) HL, CS 43

THE LUCKY ONE (Sony/ATV Tree, BMJ/Sony/ATV Songs, BMJ/Johnny O Music, BMJ) HL, CS 33

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MACHUCANDO (Los Cangris, ASCAP/Eddie Dee, ASCAP) LT 5

MAKEDAMNSURE (I Feel Like Im Taking Crazy Pills, ASCAP/WB, ASCAP) WBM, H100 71; POP 53

MARGARITA (Sleepy's Kidz Music, BMJ/The Waters Of Nazareth, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Careers-BMG, BMJ/Rainchaser, BMJ/Beat Boy Music, ASCAP/Chrysalis Music, ASCAP) HL/WBM, RBH 53

MAS ALLA DEL SOL (Edmusa, ASCAP) LT 7

ME AND MY GANG (Jeffrey Steele, BMJ/Almo Music, ASCAP/Multitone Music, ASCAP/Breaking New Ground Publishing, BMJ/Sony/ATV Cross Keys, ASCAP) HL, CS 11; H100 56; POP 71

ME TIME (ECAF Music, BMJ/Toms Kid Music, BMJ/Hyppkeez Muzik, ASCAP) RBH 60

ME & U (Next Selection, ASCAP/Motola, ASCAP) H100 18; POP 7; RBH 7

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MUNECA DE TRAPO (Sony/ATV Discos, ASCAP) LT 21

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NEW STRINGS (Sony/ATV Tree, BMJ/Nashville Star, BMJ) HL, CS 32

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NOTHING BUT A LOVE THING (EMI April, ASCAP/New Songs Of Sea Galle Music, ASCAP/Son Of A Miner, ASCAP/Pickwick Landing, ASCAP/EMI Stage Three, BMJ) HL, CS 48

NOT READY TO MAKE NICE (Woolly Puddin', BMJ/Scrappin' Toast, ASCAP/Chrysalis Music, ASCAP/Sugar Lake Music, ASCAP) HL/WBM, H100 6; POP 77

NO WORDS (Zomba Songs, BMJ/R Kelly, BMJ) WBM, RBH 35

NUESTRO AMOR SE HA VUELTO AYER (Maximo Aguirre, BMJ/The Fly And The Bee, ASCAP) LT 9

NUMBER ONE (The Waters Of Nazareth, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Please Gimme My Publishing, BMJ) HL, RBH 63

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ON AGAIN TONIGHT (Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ/Murrah, BMJ/Texabama Music, BMJ/Kalank Music, BMJ/Circle C, ASCAP/Full Circle, ASCAP), WBM, CS 31

ONE, TWO (ASCAP/WB, ASCAP/Universal-PolyGram International, ASCAP) WBM, POP 94

OPENING EN TI (Coulisiz Muzik, BMJ/Araya-Sophia, ASCAP/Flyte Tyne Lyrics, ASCAP/Quinnzermusic, ASCAP/Jumping Bean, BMJ) LT 18

PICK IT UP (Ochir Music Publishing, BMJ) RBH 87

POP MY TRUNK (Drunk People Publishing, BMJ) RBH 80

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PAM PAM (Universal-Musica Unica, BMJ/EMI Blackwood, BMJ) LT 41

PARA QUE REGRESSE (Maximo Aguirre, BMJ) LT 42

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PRETTY BABY (India B. Music, BMJ/Songs Of Universal, PolyGram International, BMJ/Demon's Musical Publishing, BMJ/Paradise Forever Music, BMJ/Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ) HL, RBH 51

PROMISCUOUS (Nestor, SOCAN/Virginia Beach, ASCAP/WB, SESAC/Dana Handz Muzik, SESAC, Str. Im Stoned, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP) HL/WBM, H100 1; POP 1, RBH 64

A PUBLIC AFFAIR (Sweet Kisses, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Naked Under My Clothes, ASCAP/Chrysalis Music, ASCAP/Kursin Music, ASCAP/Breakthrough Creations, ASCAP/Sony/ATV Tunes, ASCAP/S.M.T., ASCAP/EMI Blackwood, BMJ/Southern Oscillations Music, BMJ/Jobete Music, ASCAP) HL, POP 75

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QUE LASTIMA (EMI April, ASCAP) LT 14

QUE ME ALCANCE LA VIDA (Sony/ATV Discos, ASCAP) LT 27

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REAL GONE (Wonderland Music Company, BMJ/Pkar Music, BMJ/Walt Disney, ASCAP/Pkar Talking Pictures, ASCAP) WBM, RBH 76

THE REAL THING (K-Stuff, BMJ/ArtHouse, BMJ/White Pearl Songs, BMJ/Sony/ATV Songs, BMJ) HL/WBM, H100 100; POP 77

REGRETS (Richard Flemming, BMJ/Songs Of Ham-stein Dumberland, BMJ) RBH 77

REMEMBER (Drumak, ASCAP/Rensco Music, BMJ) RBH 97

RIDIN' (Charmillitary Camp Music, ASCAP/Universal, ASCAP/Play For Play-N-Skiziz, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Leathface Music, ASCAP/Skiziz For Skiziz And Play Music, ASCAP) HL, H100 7; POP 4; RBH 47

RIDIN' RIMS (Slide That Music, ASCAP/EMI April, ASCAP/Bem Jue Publishing, BMJ/Hold That Music, BMJ/Dem Franchise Boyz, ASCAP/EMI Blackwood, BMJ) HL, H100 90; POP 95; RBH 40

ROMPE (Los Cangris, ASCAP/Eddie Dee, ASCAP/Blue Kraft Music, BMJ) POP 70

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SAVIN ME (Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ/Arm Your Drilo, SOCAN/Zero-C, SOCAN/Back Drees, SOCAN/Black Aider Music, SOCAN) WBM, H100 28; POP 24

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SHAKE THAT (Shroom Shady Music, BMJ/Resto World Music, ASCAP/Dirty Steves Music, BMJ/Nate Deag, BMJ/Reach Global Songs, BMJ) POP 49

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SHOULDER LEAN (Cordele Quinn Publishing, BMJ/OJUAN Hart Publishing, BMJ/Crown Club Publishing, BMJ/Warner-Tamerlane, BMJ) WBM, H100 66; RBH 8

SINGLE (EMI Blackwood, BMJ/In-Genius Songs, BMJ/EMI April, ASCAP/Sonic Grafitti, ASCAP) HL, H100 37; POP 36

SISTER (Mr. Mall Music, ASCAP/Cutta Music, BMJ/Ajacia Music, ASCAP) RBH 18

SIZE MATTERS (SOMEDAY) (Almo Music, ASCAP/Great Escape, ASCAP/Square D, ASCAP) HL, CS 9; H100 68

SNAP YO FINGERS (White Rhino, BMJ/E-40, BMJ/Zomba Songs, BMJ/Drugstore, ASCAP), WBM, H100 11; POP 25; RBH 10

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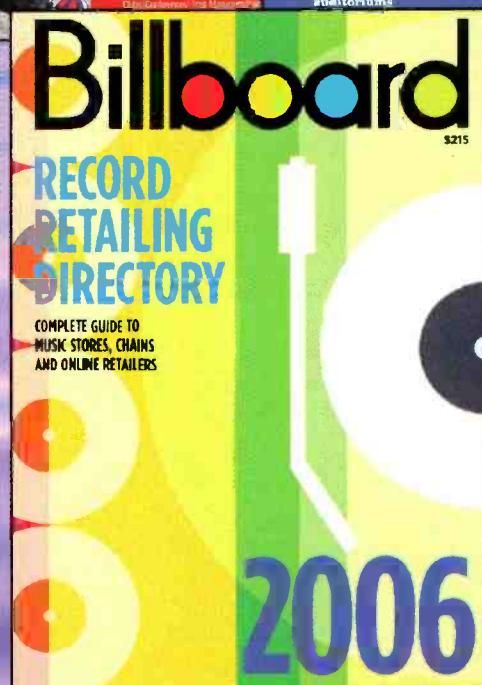
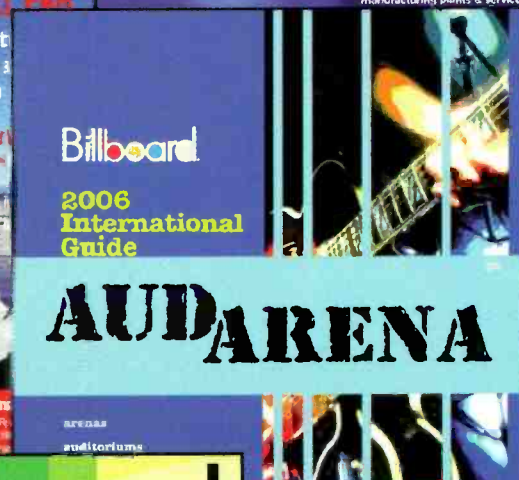
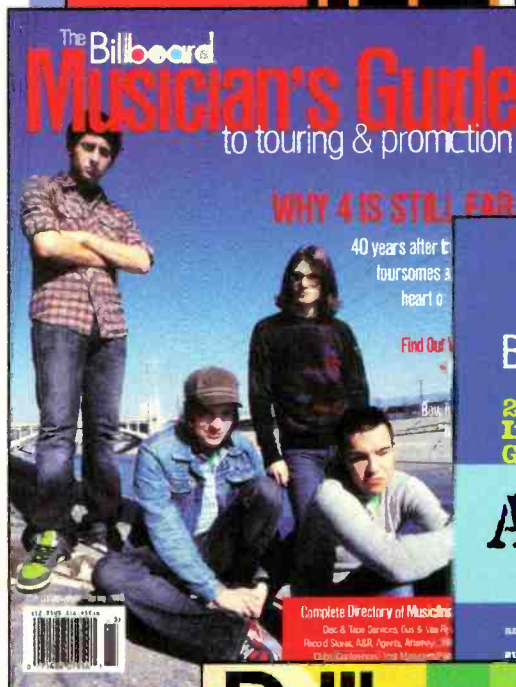
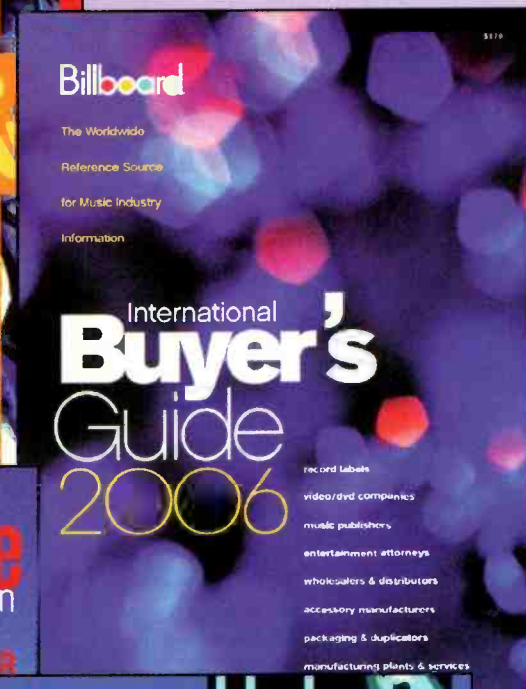
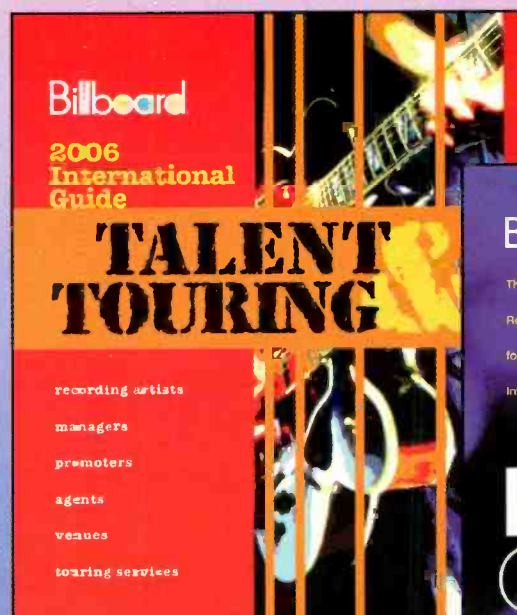
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MARRIAGES Nicole Kidman to
Keith Urban, June 25 in Sydney.
Bride is an actress. Groom is a
Capitol Nashville artist.

DEATHS Freddie Gorman, 67, of
lung cancer, June 13 at the Kaiser
Hospital in Panorama City, Calif.
Gorman was the lead singer of
Motown group the Originals.

The Detroit quartet is best-known
for scoring a No. 1 R&B hit in 1969
with "Baby, I'm for Real," written
and produced by labelmate Marvin
Gaye. The all-male Originals also
provided background harmonies for
other Motown hits including Jimmy
Ruffin's "What Becomes of the
Brokenhearted" and Stevie Wonder's
"For Once in My Life."

Gorman moonlighted as a
successful songwriter, co-writing the
Reflections' 1964 hit "(Just Like)
Romeo & Juliet" and the Marvelettes'
1961 No. 1 R&B/pop hit "Please Mr.
Postman" with Brian Holland.

In the late 1970s, the Originals
departed Motown and signed with
Fantasy Records, where they scored
with a dance remake of 1950s hit
"Blue Moon."

The band ceased recording by
1981 and, after a brief comeback in
Europe as part of Ian Levine's
Motorcity Recordings project in
1982, disbanded.

Gorman is survived by wife Dodie,
son Dillon and daughter Sheila Evans.

Claydes Charles Smith, 57, of
unspecified causes in Maplewood,
N.J. Smith was a founder and lead
guitarist for the long-running R&B
act Kool & the Gang.

A native of Jersey City, N.J., Smith
tuned into jazz guitar as a teenager.
He became part of the original Kool &
the Gang in the mid-1960s, along
with Robert "Kool" Bell, his brother
Ronald Bell (later Khalis Bayyan),
George Brown, Dennis Thomas, Rick
Westfield and Robert "Spike"
Mickens. Lead singer James "J.T."
Taylor came aboard in 1978.

Kool & the Gang scored 15 top 20
pop hits in the '70s and '80s, mainly
on the De-Lite label. The group broke
through in a big way in 1973 with
"Jungle Boogie," which rose to No. 4
on Billboard's singles chart. Other
memorable hits included "Ladies
Night," the No. 1 smash
"Celebration" and the No. 2 hits
"Cherish" and "Joanna."

In 2005, Smith issued a solo
album, "Children's Games." He
continued to tour with the band until
January, when illness forced his
retirement from performing.

Smith is survived by three
daughters, three sons, a sister, a
brother and eight grandchildren.

INDUSTRY EVENTS

JULY 13 What Teens Want—East,
Grand Hyatt, New York. 646-654-
7268. whateenswant.com.

JULY 19-20 Ticket Summit, Venetian
Hotel, Las Vegas. 860-870-3400.
ticketsummit.org.

AUG. 2-5 NARM 48th Convention
& Marketplace, Gaylord Palms, Or-
lando, Fla. 856-596-2221. narm.com.

AUG. 2-5 Latin Alternative Music
Conference, the Puck Building,
New York. 818-763-1397. latin-alternative.com.

AUG. 4-8 International Assn. of
Assembly Managers Conference and
Trade Show, Henry B. Gonzalez Con-
vention Center, San Antonio. 972-
538-1013. iaam.org/2006_conf.

AUG. 18-19 The Bandwidth Con-

ference, the Regency Center, San
Francisco. 415-823-4540. bandwidthconference.com.

AUG. 24-27 Septien Music Con-
ference 2006, Embassy Suites
Hotel, Dallas. 972-392-2810. septien-conference.com.

AUG. 30 Independent Music
Conference, Sheraton Society Hill
Hotel, Philadelphia. 203-606-4649.
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SEPT. 6-8 Billboard R&B/Hip-Hop
Conference and Awards, the
Renaissance Waverly Hotel, At-
lanta. 646-654-4660. billboard-events.com.

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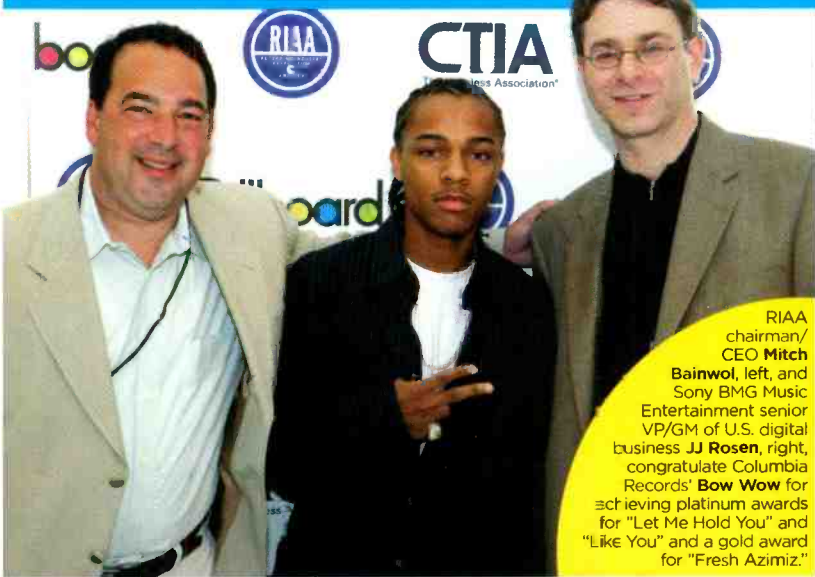
FOR THE RECORD

To clarify an item in the Real Talk
column in the June 17 issue, Baby
Cham's "Ghetto Story" was not
banned by the Jamaican govern-
ment. Rather, it was held up by
the Radio Jamaica Communi-
cations Group for one week in
order to edit lyrics relating to
guns. Further, the track "Ghetto

Pledge," not "Ghetto Play," has
never been played by the Radio
Jamaica Communications Group.

Contrary to the Latin Notas col-
umn in the July 1 issue, recording
artists Jorge Celedon and Maja
are signed to Sony BMG and
Ilona to EMI.

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RIAA chairman/CEO **Mitch Bainwol**, left, and Sony BMG Music Entertainment senior VP/GM of U.S. digital business **JJ Rosen**, right, congratulate Columbia Records' **Bow Wow** for achieving platinum awards for "Let Me Hold You" and "Like You" and a gold award for "Fresh Azimiz."



Featured band **the Honorary Title** rocked the night away with tunes, including songs from latest album "Anything Else but the Truth." Pictured, from left, are band members **Jarrold Gorbel**, **Adam Boyd** and **Jon Wiley**; Billboard's **Tamara Conniff**, the RIAA's **Mitch Bainwol**; and band member **Aaron Kamstra**.



All RIAA certifications for the new sales award are audited by the firm of **Gelfand, Rennert & Feldman**. Pictured, from left, are the RIAA's **Laura Doud**, and **Christopher Fazzolari** and **Michelle Howell** of **Gelfand, Rennert & Feldman**.

RINGTONES AWARDS: The RIAA, CTIA—The Wireless Assn. and Billboard introduced a gold and platinum certification program for master ringtones June 14 at an awards ceremony/press conference at the Time Warner Center in New York. The same evening, the RIAA invited music industry players to celebrate the launch of its master ringtone sales award at the Cutting Room, where guests were treated to a performance by Doghouse act the Honorary Title. Also at the conference, Billboard executive editor/associate publisher **Tamara Conniff** announced that Billboard's master ringtone chart would launch this summer.

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Virgin Records president of urban music **Jermaine Dupri**, left, congratulates **Bubba Sparxxx** on winning a gold award for "Ms. New Booty."



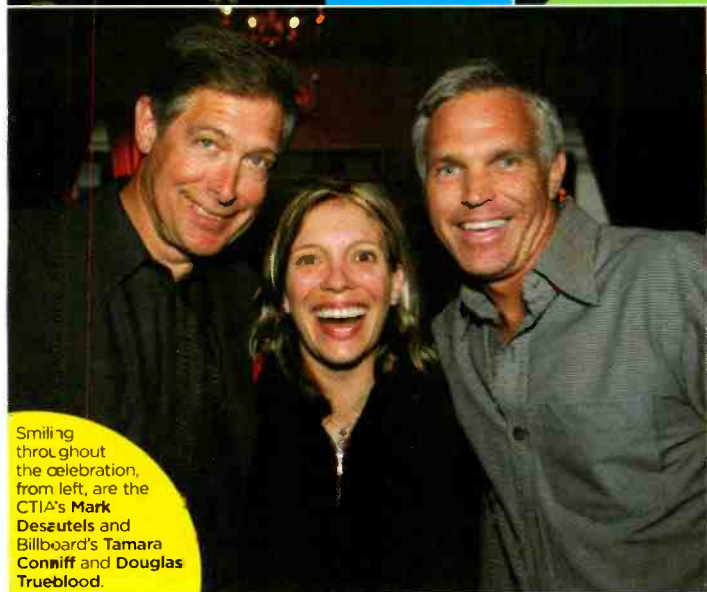
The CTIA's **Athena Polydorou**, left, and UPOC Networks' **Marie Brattberg** put on their festive smiles at the soiree.



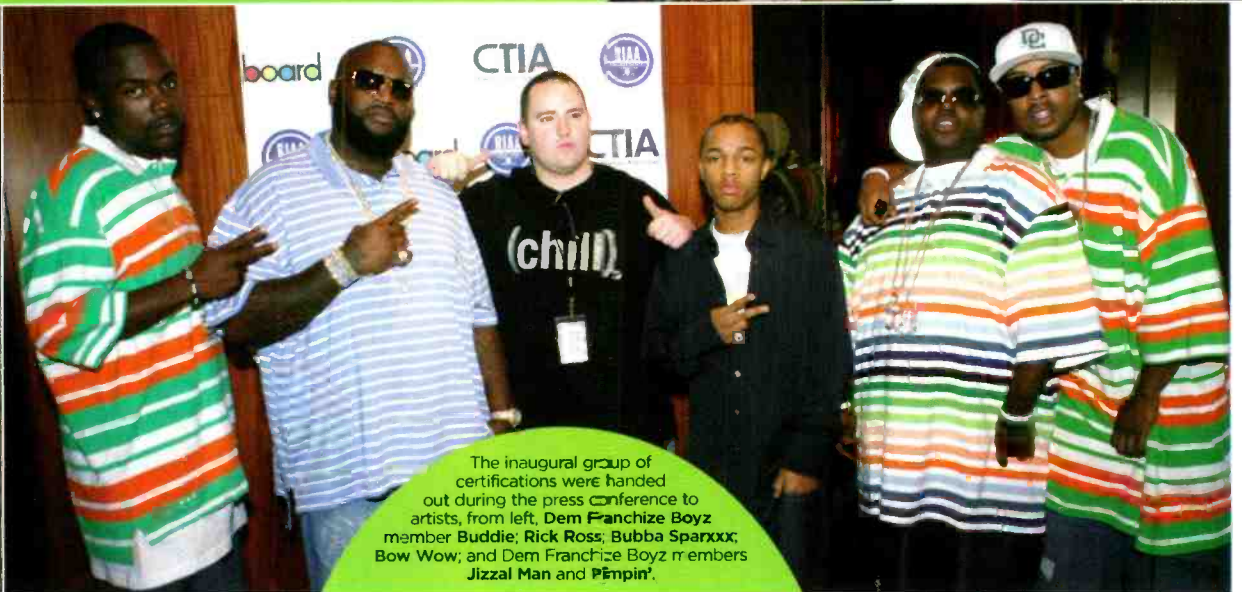
Networking opportunities couldn't have been more enjoyable as attendees mingled all night with the accompaniment of good food, drinks and a live performance. Shown, from left, are **Morgan Baden** and **Kate Jackson** of Reuters Corporate Communications, **Trine Lise Juliusen** of Ernst & Young, **Mark Messina** of M2Metrix, **Jason Turner** of Tunestile and **Amanda Hunter** of the RIAA.



CTIA president/CEO **Steve Largent** emphasized how the "impressive awards ceremony signifies the enormous effect that mobile music is having on individuals all around the globe."



Smiling throughout the celebration, from left, are the CTIA's **Mark Desautels** and Billboard's **Tamara Conniff** and **Douglas Trueblood**.



The inaugural group of certifications were handed out during the press conference to artists, from left, **Dem Franchize Boyz** member **Buddie**; **Rick Ross**; **Bubba Sparxxx**; **Bow Wow**; and Dem Franchize Boyz members **Jizzal Man** and **Pimpin'**.

INSIDE TRACK

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ON THE DOWN LOW

Warner Bros. Records execs including label chief Tom Whalley and senior VP of urban promotion Cynthia Johnson welcomed Brian McKnight to the family June 28 with an intimate luncheon previewing his forthcoming album, "10." Yes, it's the 10th album from McKnight, in a career that includes stops at Mercury and Motown. The artist sat down at the keyboards and performed three tunes from the set, which he describes as "full of theme songs," inspired by his post-divorce life. Among the album's standout tracks: "More Than Just a Thang" featuring Jill Scott.

McKnight told Track he is optimistic about his move to WB. "I've seen what they can do—they think outside the box. When I was a teen, all the acts I loved were on Warner Bros., including my brother Claude of Take 6. It's kind of surreal but it feels like this is where I should be."

The new album, slated for a fourth-quarter release, is not alone on McKnight's plate. In late July, he'll shoot a TV pilot for a weekly talk/music show that he says is attracting the attention of Fox and ABC. He is also "toying" with the notion of signing his two sons to a label. "Nikko is like a Jimi Hendrix on guitar, and BJ is a carbon copy of me," the proud dad says. "I tell them to just relax. But they see other kids making records, and they're anxious to do the same thing."

MAKE IT HOT

Missy Elliott is experiencing a creative block. "But give me a minute and I will be back," Elliott told Track backstage at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles after winning a 2006 BET Award for best female hip-hop artist. Elliott said the new album she is working on will feature hits and new, original material. Also gearing up for production is a movie about Elliott's life. The artist does not know if she'll tackle a second stint on the reality show circuit after last year's "The Road to Stardom." "That reality show stuff is a little rough. I don't know if I will be doing that again," she said with a laugh.

A NEW DAY

While backstage at the BET Awards, Track also checked in with Jamie Foxx, who says he and LL Cool J have done two songs together that will be coming out next year. It is no secret that Foxx and the Cool one did not get along during the filming of the 1999 football movie "Any Given Sunday" starring Al Pacino. But according to Foxx, the two buried the hatchet when they saw each other at a basketball game after this year's Academy Awards. "We looked up at each other and said, 'Gee, look at the years we've wasted.'" As for coming attractions, Foxx will appear in the movie version of "Dream Girls" and LL is the subject of an A&E "Biography" segment that will air July 31.



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BANNER'S WAY

Look for rapper David Banner, who is now managed by the Firm, to mount a second Heal the Hood concert to benefit Mississippi coast victims of Hurricane Katrina. Banner says he has helped raise \$500,000 for relief efforts and remains determined to rebuild the ravaged coastal communities. "Most of my efforts have been dedicated to the coast of Mississippi because that's where the eye of the storm was. That coast is totally gone," the Mississippi native says.

GET HAPPY

If the title track is any indication, Uncle Kracker's upcoming album, "Happy Hour," will be gloriously steeped in Motown- and Philly-styled R&B grooves. In fact, a sneak peek into the title track shows our fave Uncle reveling in R&B-based disco sounds, complete with live strings and horns. Track hears Leo Sayer will add his signature falsetto to the song.

FASHIONABLE STONES

Track hears that Italian fashion brand Meltin' Pot is making sweet music with the Rolling Stones. It appears that Keith Richards, Charlie Watts and Ronnie Wood will be sporting specially designed Meltin' Pot jeans on the next leg of the band's world tour. And yes, those were Meltin' Pot denims worn by Tom Cruise on the June cover of British magazine Arena.

Executive TURNTABLE

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RECORD COMPANIES: EMI Music in New York names **Neil Levine** senior VP/GM of Caroline's new urban unit. He was worldwide GM at Rykodisc.

Arista Nashville names **Alex Valentine** manager of Southwest regional promotion. He was a member of the promotion team at Sanctuary Music Group.

RCA Records Nashville promotes **Doug Baker** to director of national promotion. He was director of Southeast regional promotion.

Rock Ridge Music in New York promotes **Ben Miller** to A&R manager/industry liaison. He was head of Rock Ridge Music Street Team initiatives.

Sony BMG in Nashville promotes **Maurice Miner** to director of syndicated and satellite radio. He was associate director.

DISTRIBUTION: The Orchard in New York names **Paul Verna** director of corporate communications. He served in a corporate marketing and communications capacity at Avid Technology. Verna is also a former Billboard reviews/pro audio editor.

PUBLISHING: Cherry Lane Music Publishing in New York names **F. Lamonte Ball** creative manager of urban music. He was publicity coordinator at LaFace Records.

PigFactory in Los Angeles names **Adam Wolf** creative director of film, TV and advertising music. He was director of film/TV and advertising music at North Star Media.



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TOURING/VENUES: Max Cruise Entertainment in Point Pleasant, N.J., names **Jon Hampton** president. He was talent buyer at Live Nation/Electric Factory Concerts.

MEDIA: Fuse in New York promotes **Alex Campbell** to VP of development. He was VP of programming and production.

Music Alive! in New York promotes **Caroline Horn** to editorial director. She was editor in chief.

Performing Songwriter in Nashville names **Rick Taylor** managing editor. He was talent buyer at Live Nation/Electric Factory Concerts.

RELATED FIELDS: Universal Music Mobile-U.S. in Santa Monica, Calif., names **Adam Flick** VP of marketing. He was chief marketing officer at Airborne Entertainment.

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GOODWORKS

REID'S VISION HONORED

The UJA-Federation of New York and the Music for Youth Foundation will honor Antonio "L.A." Reid at a July 18 luncheon at the Pierre in New York. He will receive the 2006 Music Visionary of the Year award. Proceeds will be divided between the two host foundations. For more info log on to ujafedny.org.

SHAKIRA'S LIPS DON'T LIE

Shakira has partnered with Hard Rock International on behalf of child victims of violence in Colombia. She donated items to Hard Rock's memorabilia collection while Hard Rock donated \$80,000 to the artist's Pies Descalzos Foundation.

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